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**Dan is:** Riding his Sole Skate to work.

**Dom is:** Writing some new songs for his guitar to learn.

**Richie is:** Seeing MANIA covers in his sleep.

**Angela is:** Having high tea with the Queen.

**Kirrilly is:** Building a LEGO fort around her desk!

**Jono is:** Suffering a rib injury from wrestling The Miz.

**Alison B is:** Thinking about Easter holidays.

**James:** Is learning how to ride a skateboard while playing SKATE 3! Unbelievable!

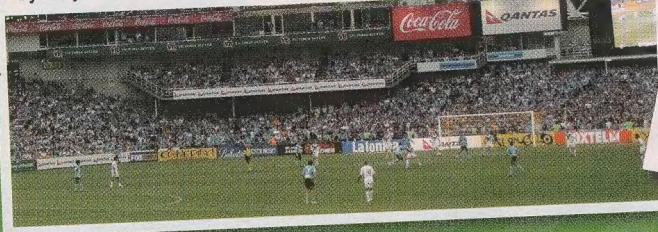
## YO 'YAKS!

We've put the pedal to the metal this month and we're proud to present the always bad-core Iron Man! We sent MANIA agents deep inside his HQ and we've pulled up some juicy factoids on the metalman supreme. Speakin' of metal, we've also scored eleven amazing, once in a lifetime prize packs with exclusive, money-can't-buy Chrome Darth Vader LEGO mini figures! One for you and ten to give to your MANIAC mates. We'd be super stoked if we had a friend like you! Check out the pics below, this month we hung out with the Miz on his Aussie visit and we gotta tell you, the dude is a crack-up! His mouth didn't stop for at least an hour and if he shows that much stamina in the ring, he's going to be world champ for sure! We also got along to catch a classic game of A-League soccer when Sydney played Melbourne in Sydney. Some spectacular goals and amazing goalkeeping made it an epic match! Whew, what a month of action, and we put together a mag! We hope you enjoy it MANIACS, see you next month on April 12 and until then, REPRESENT!

**TEAM  
MANIA**



Sydney F.C vs Melbourne Victory



The Miz





# The latest news and random happenings from around the globe



## B'DAY BASH!

Go mad with these stars if you share a May Birthday MANIACS!

May 2 - David Beckham (Soccer Star)

May 12 - Tony Hawk (Champion Skateboarder)

May 13 - Robert Pattinson (Actor)

May 14 - Miranda Cosgrove (Actress)

May 28 Kylie Minogue (Singer)

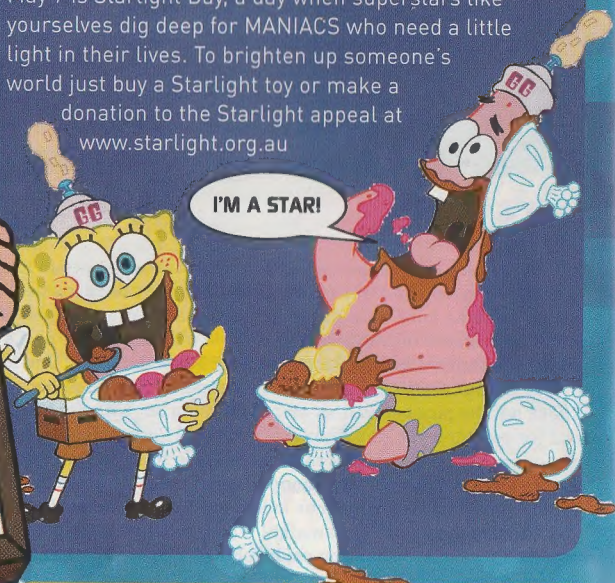


## HE'S IN THE AQUARIUM!

Finally there's a reason we can't find Wally - he's down at Sydney Aquarium and Wildlife World! Get down to the aquarium in April when it gets turned into a giant Where's Wally book! Search for him and fill in a special Where's Wally activity sheet when you spot him. Call 02 8251 7800 for deets!

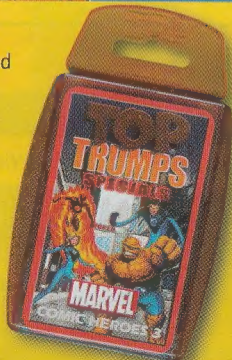
## BE A SUPERSTAR!

May 7 is Starlight Day, a day when superstars like yourselves dig deep for MANIACS who need a little light in their lives. To brighten up someone's world just buy a Starlight toy or make a donation to the Starlight appeal at [www.starlight.org.au](http://www.starlight.org.au)



## COLLECT THIS!

Are you looking for the next rad thing to collect? Why not try Top Trumps cards, MANIACS! There're heaps of different kinds, featuring some of our favourite characters like the Marvel Team and Harry Potter. Logon to <http://www.toptrumps.com.au> and see for yourselves!







## YOU HAVE THREE WISHES!

If you found a genie's lamp and had three wishes what would you wish for MANIACS? We'd wish for every MANIAC in Australia to donate \$2 to the Make a Wish foundation on World Wish Day, Thursday April 29. All the funds raised in Australia will be used to grant the wishes of very sick MANIACS! Head to [www.makeawish.org.au](http://www.makeawish.org.au) to help.



THERE MUST BE A  
GENIE AROUND HERE  
SOMEWHERE!



## WHAT A BLOG!

We know toys, games, DVDs and books better than anyone else! Just ask MANIA's Art Director Richie. He's made a blog showcasing all the stuff you MANIACS would love to get your mitts on. You can even rate your favourites. Check it out at [www.wantwall.com.au](http://www.wantwall.com.au) and don't forget to leave some comments so Richie knows what you think.

## BARKING MAD!

Is that the pitter patter of one million paws we hear? Or are we just going barking mad? Join in all the fun on May 16 as half a million hounds across Australia take to the streets with their mangy owners to raise money for the RSPCA and the animals they care for. This year the RSPCA is doggedly determined to break the one million dollar mark and that means they need your help. Visit [www.millionpawswalk.com.au/](http://www.millionpawswalk.com.au/) to register.



# MANIA SCHOOL

## Tips to surviving the most MANIAC



He's survived all the dramas in Degrassi Junior High and now he's a teacher in Degrassi: The Next Generation, but has Archibald "Snake" Simpson (Stefan Brogren) got what it takes to survive one normal day at MANIA school? Find out here MANIACS!

### TIME FOR SCHOOL!

**TEST ONE 9:30 AM:** You're in MANIA class and a gigantic crevice opens in the middle of the classroom. Your teacher is hanging by his fingers about to fall into the abyss below. In the chaos do you, A try to save him or B, try to complete your unfinished homework?

**STEFAN:** "If you haven't finished your homework he's got to fall in. Why not take your time with it. You could lift up one finger at a time and just watch him squirm a little."

**GRADE:** **A+**

**TEST TWO 11:30 AM:** You're on a school excursion to the North Pole and you lose your homework in a snowstorm while excavating the remains of a woolly mammoth. Do you, A go and try to find it, or B, continue to unearth the mammoth and try to impress your history teacher with the fossils?

**STEFAN:** "I would send my teacher to the North Pole to dig up my homework. If there's a snowstorm going down even better! If he needs some food he can munch on a woolly mammoth leg!"

**GRADE:** **B**



# SURVIVAL!

*school day on earth!*

**TEST THREE 1:00 PM:** You have backstage passes to see the band of your dreams, but the girl you really like wants you to help her study for maths. To make matters worse, the day before, you discover that she's really an alien and wants to eat your brains. Do you A go to the concert or B go help the girl you like?

**STEFAN:** "I'd go see the band because if she really was an alien and didn't tell me about it, then I don't think the relationship would work out. If she wants to eat my brains, that's cool but she should at least tell me first."

**GRADE:** **A+**

## TEST FOUR 3:00 PM

You find answers to your college entrance exams in a bird's nest outside the window of your classroom and your friend doesn't look like he's going to pass. Do you give him the answers or keep them secret?

**STEFAN:** "That depends how rich my friend is!"

**GRADE:** **D-**



**REPORT:**  
**PASS**



**Catch Degrassi: The Next Generation at 10 pm  
from March 15 on Nickelodeon!**



**FLICK  
OF THE  
MONTH**



## SECRET SERVICE!

Premiere, Connor Undercover, starts April 9 on ABC3

If the president's daughter came to live in your house and bad guys were after her, would you be ready for action or totally unprepared? Watch Connor Undercover to find out!



## HOLLYWOOD HIT!

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**[TOP SECRET]**  
Iron Man 2 files  
uncovered!

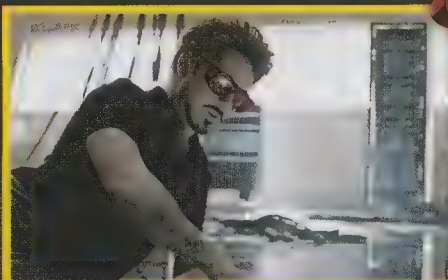
A close-up, chest-up shot of Iron Man. He is wearing his iconic red and gold armor. His arc reactor is glowing with a bright blue-white light. His eyes are also glowing with a similar light. The background is dark and industrial, with some red and yellow light sources visible on the right side.

# **MISSION: IRON MAN 2**



The Marvel Universe is a complicated place so we sent some deep cover MANIA agents into Iron Man's HQ on a fact-finding mission. The following documents contain profiles of each major character from Iron Man 2 – be sure to read them carefully MANIACS, we risked our lives for this information!

## HEROES



### TONY STARK / IRON MAN

Billionaire inventor and businessman Tony Stark has had his secret identity revealed to the world and the pressures of saving the world and being famous are starting to get to him. He evolves the Iron Man armour even further but are cracks starting to show in his perfect finish? His love for Pepper Potts is also of some concern.



### JAMES RHODES / WAR MACHINE

Lt Colonel James "Rhodey" Rhodes is one of Tony Stark's closest friends and inhabits the heavy combat armour codenamed "War Machine". War Machine has heavy gatling style machine guns mounted over the shoulder and is formally known as the "Variable Threat Response Battle Suit, Model XVI, Mark I". War Machine is outfitted in what appears to be military gunmetal grey and with his air force combat experience James Rhodes is a formidable opponent.



# VILLAINS

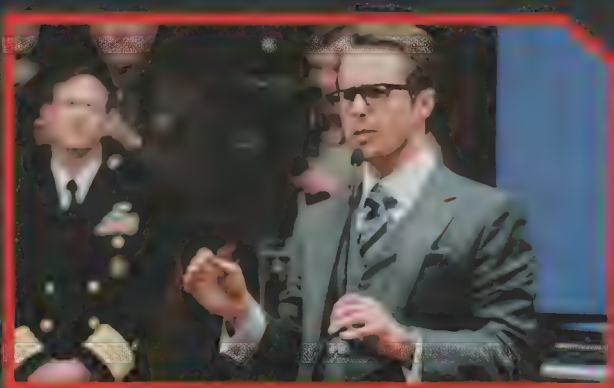


## IVAN VANKO / WHIPLASH

A mysterious history includes references to Marvel supervillain The Crimson Dynamo and the criminal Blacklash (who was also known as Whiplash). All that is known about the current version of Whiplash is that he has harnessed similar energy sources to Iron Man in order to charge up two massive electric whips. There is much speculation that Stark Industries technology may have harmed his family members in some way, explaining his desire for revenge on Tony Stark. A gifted scientist, he is also believed to be the designer behind a vicious new threat to Iron Man funded by Justin Hammer.

## JUSTIN HAMMER

A rival businessman who bears a grudge against Tony Stark and Stark Industries, Justin Hammer appears to be an annoying, spineless creep. **HOWEVER**, his enormous wealth means that he is able to provide money to enemies of Iron Man and help them attack Stark by other means. Sneaky, rich and not to be trusted.



## [SNAPSHOTS]



## STARK & PALS





# S.H.I.E.L.D OPERATIVES



## BLACK WIDOW

Secret agent Black Widow is a martial arts expert, gymnast and dancer who is highly trained in the use of firearms and explosives. Her employers have always been shadowy but it is believed she is a S.H.I.E.L.D Operative and that she obtains employment as Tony Stark's assistant under the name Natasha Romanoff. Unconfirmed reports suggest she has some kind of wrist mounted repulsor type weapons similar to the Iron Man armour.

## NICK FURY

So deep undercover that no file photo exists, Nick Fury is a General who heads up S.H.I.E.L.D, the Strategic Homeland Intervention, Enforcement and Logistics Division. He is known to stop at nothing to achieve his objectives, whatever they are.

**[NO PICTURE AVAILABLE]**

# CIVILIANS

Tony Stark's closest ally and possible love interest, Pepper Potts has taken over Obadiah Stanes' role as CEO of Stark Industries meaning she is also his business partner. A central figure in the Iron Man story, there are also dangerous rumours of a mutual interest between her and Tony Stark's bodyguard Happy Hogan.



## DID YOU KNOW?

Our agents discovered that the soundtrack for Iron Man 2 is made up entirely of AC/DC songs! Ozzy Osbourne's song called "Iron Man" is always gonna be an Iron Man classic but the legendary Australian rockers AC/DC have totally stolen the show!



# THIS YEAR'S MUST SEE MEGA MOVIES!

## OUR TOP FIVE WISHLIST MANIACS!



### IRON MAN 2

IN CINEMAS: April 29th

Get set for another ore-inspiring blast fest. In Iron Man 2 the world knows Tony Stark's secret and the military wants his suit. To make matters worse, a technologically enhanced whip-cracking villain named Whiplash is raring to strip some iron from his hide. It sounds like our heavy metal hero certainly has his work cut out for him!

### TOY STORY 3

IN CINEMAS: June 24th

As the Pixar trio drives along the way, Woody and Mr. Burns Woody and the gang that are a brand new adventure that takes them to the heart of the story. Woody, Buzz Lightyear, and the rest of the gang are back to save the day. Woody, Buzz Lightyear, and the rest of the gang are back to save the day. Woody, Buzz Lightyear, and the rest of the gang are back to save the day. Woody, Buzz Lightyear, and the rest of the gang are back to save the day.



### SHREK FOREVER AFTER

IN CINEMAS: June 17th

Shrek is always funny, so you'll understand how ogre-flowing with excitement we were to hear about Shrek Forever After! This time our green buddy has been transported to a parallel world where Rumpelstiltskin is king and ogres are hunted for sport. And if that doesn't sound funny to you, you've never seen an ogre run!



## KARATE KID!

IN CINEMAS: July 1

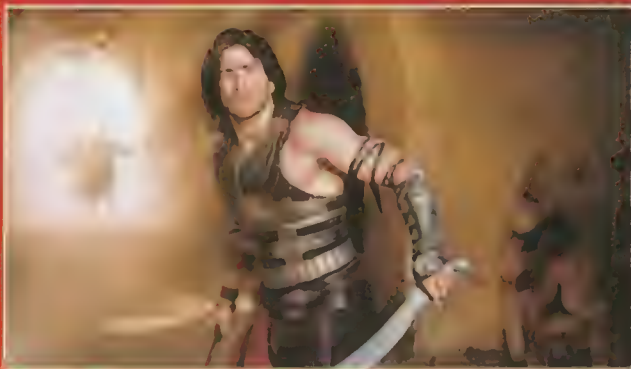
Every child needs a mentor, and Mr. Miyagi from the original Karate Kid was one of the best. He taught us how to defend ourselves with karate and how to catch flies with my chopsticks. The Miyagi we knew, but this time he's joined with a big Chinese Kung Fu KAPOW! Kung fu fans, stick to your traditions. Miyagi is the mentor, not Mr. Han, who's a 12-year-old American kid. One Prince... and two flies from now to go, with garters and his new Chinese martial art, it seems AWESOME! (Don't let it take over your life. This Kung fu stuff.)



## PRINCE OF PERSIA: THE SANDS OF TIME

IN CINEMAS: May 27

We think Jake Gyllenhaal's rippling muscles more than qualify him for the part of our hero Prince Dastan in Prince of Persia! Jerry Bruckheimer is producing the film, which is being shot at a special location in Morocco, so we expect a mix of fast action, special effects and amazing imagery!



## FLICKS

### ANIME ROBOT!

Astro Boy

We don't know why the filmmakers decided to use CGI instead of anime, but it's good to see Astro again after all these years!



★★★★☆

### I'M ALIVE!

This is a must watch MANIACS! It's an imagination tale about nine creatures given the spark of life and trying to survive in a broken and decaying world.

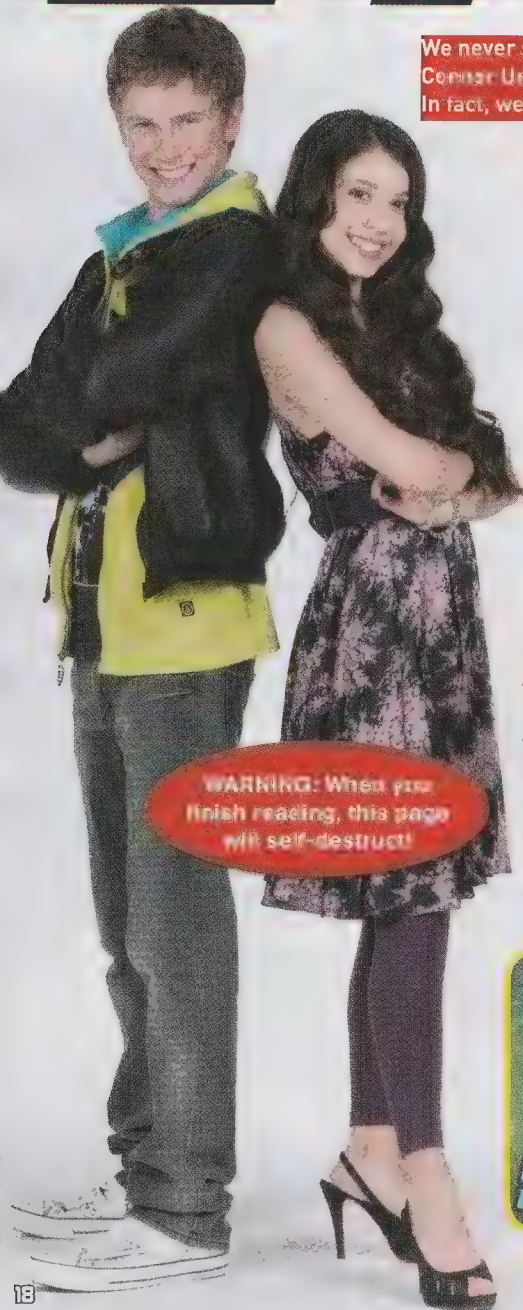


★★★★★



# SPY TV!

We never spoke with Connor Heath, the secret spy from **Connor Undercover**...you never saw him here at MANIA HQ... In fact, we've never even heard of him...wink wink!



WARNING: When you finish reading, this page will self-destruct!

**MANIA:** Hey Connor, can you tell us what Connor Undercover is about?

**CONNOR:** "It's about me and my transformation from school student to a life of espionage when Gisela Calicos, the president's daughter moves into my home."

**MANIA:** Tell us about yourself.

**CONNOR:** "Well I'm 16-years-old and, all I have ever wanted to be is an international spy."

**MANIA:** What's your favourite spy gadget?

**CONNOR:** "It's a tossup between my thermal imaging camera and my high-tech surveillance kit, which allows me to spy on bad guys from secret locations."

**MANIA:** Any advice on how to be a spy in training?

**CONNOR:** "Be vigilant, but not a vigilante. Always focus on the mission at hand and never waver from your prime directive."

**MANIA:** What's the situation with Gisela?

**CONNOR:** "She is difficult to protect. Despite the threat of danger she is only worried about her lack of luxurious amenities."

**MANIA:** What would be included in the ultimate spy-kit?

**CONNOR:** "Tiny surveillance cameras, high powered communication devices and thermal imaging cameras."



Catch the Premiere of **Connor Undercover**, Friday April 9 at 8am and episodes Weekdays on ABC3.



**LEGO**

**STAR  
WARS**



**man!a**



# DELTORA QUEST

## デルトラクエスト

*The aussie  
anime  
taking the  
world by  
storm!*

AUSTRALIAN DELTORA QUEST FANATICS TAKE A BOW. YOU ARE FANS OF THE WORLD'S FIRST AUSSIME (AUSSIE ANIME)!



Deltora Quest started the ultimate Deltora Wars in 2002. It won't be until 2008 that Japanese TV and manga will release. Since that time, it has spread around the world. It's a big hit!

Produced by Australian anime studio Gamera Light and Magic, Deltora Quest is a genuine Aussie based anime series, but it's also based on Australian author Emily Rodger's Deltora Quest series. It's kind of Australian!

Deltora is a fantasy world that has been created for children. It's a world of magic and mystery, with dangerous monsters, from the Shadow Lord to the Lord of the Sun. Only the brave can defeat the Shadow Lord. Deltora is a world of magic and mystery. It's a world of magic and mystery. It's a world of magic and mystery.







10 million fans from around the world know Deltora's author as Emily Rodda, but her real name is Jennifer June Rowe. Rowe lived in The Blue Mountains, west of Sydney and uses her grandma's name, Emily Rodda, so people don't confuse the adult murder mysteries she writes with her kid's books. You can visit her website here [www.emilyrodda.com](http://www.emilyrodda.com)

There are seven major books in Deltora: The Hidden Part, Return to Dragon Mountain, The Lost Island, Beyond the Mountains to the Shadow Land where the Shadow Lord reigns.

## WHO'S WHO IN DELTORA!

**Lief** - Son of a blacksmith from the city of Del. He's hot headed and good at dodging trouble. Courageous and trustworthy, he never lets his friends down, especially in a sword fight.

When Lief turns 16, his father Jarrod gives him the mysterious Belt of Deltora made by the first king to protect the world from evil. Armed with only a sword and cloak, he sets off on an amazing quest to find the seven mystical gems to unlock the power of the belt. On his way he meets:

**Jasmine** - A wild orphan girl from the Forests of Silence. Jasmine can sometimes be quite impatient, but has a good heart. She can speak to trees and animals and has two pets, a blackbird named Kree and a small fury creature called Filly.

**Tharn** - He is a powerful wizard who is Lief's mentor. He sees his role as protector of Lief and helps him out whenever he can. He has a big heart and is incredibly strong.

**CATCH THIS WORLD BEATING AUSSIE ANIME** on [www.cartoonnetwork.com.au](http://www.cartoonnetwork.com.au) for 11A/11C  
première on April 21 it also premieres on TV, Saturday May 1 at 8:00am.



# MANIA LASER BATTLES!

**2050**  
THE BATTLE  
FOR SYDNEY!

**MANIA SAVES  
SYDNEY FROM AN  
EVIL CORPORATION!**

## MISSION REPORT!

### 9:00 HOURS

**LOCATION: MANIA HQ**

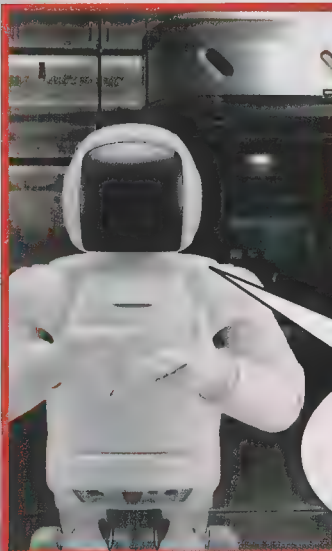
The MANIA crew were sitting at their hot-guesses desks, playing MANIA when the HAZARD system appeared on the skat. Something was very wrong. The MANIACS were intrigued!



### 9:01 HOURS

**LOCATION: THE MANIA  
CAVE**

FRONTIER HAZARD...



MANIA, THIS IS AGENT A, WE NEED YOUR HELP! AN EVIL CORPORATION HAS SEIZED CONTROL OF SYDNEY IN THE YEAR 2050. ONLY TRUE MANIACS LIKE YOURSELVES CAN STOP THEM!

QUICK MANIACS  
GET ON THE  
TIME TRAVEL  
FLAMINGO!





**ZAP!**  
...TO THE FUTURE!

**DANGER**  
**MILITARY FACILITY**  
**DO NOT TRESPASS**

**23:59 HOURS 2050**

**LOCATION:** Enemy HQ

It was a little too quiet inside the enemy HQ. But the MANIACS were not fazed. They knew something was out there in the shadows.

BAD GUYS AT 9  
O'CLOCK! LETS  
FLANK 'EM!

DUDE IT'S 23:59  
O'CLOCK

**BAMM!**

OH NO,  
I'VE BEEN  
HIT!

**KAZAM!**

RESISTANCE IS  
FUTILE YOU WILL  
BE ASIMO'D!

MISSION  
ACCOMPLISHED  
MANIACS!

**WARNING**  
**MAX 24**  
**SOLDIERS**  
PER BATTLE SESSION

**STRIKE**  
**LASER SKIRMISH**

To celebrate MANIACS victory over the evil corporation, we're giving three lucky MANIACS the chance to score a Strike Bowling Party Pass to go bowling with up to seven friends. For your chance to win just draw us a picture of a time machine.

CONGRATULATIONS  
YOU HAVE WON A FREE GAME OF  
STRIKE BOWLING FOR YOU & 7 GUESTS!

**WIN!**

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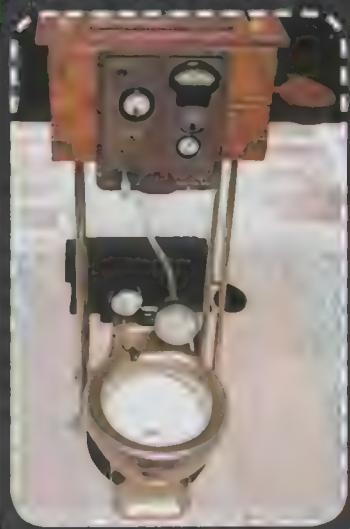


# INSPECT -A-GADGET

# STEAM SUPREME!

**INSIDE REAL LIFE STEAM PUNK  
WORKSHOPS!**

Steam punk is science fiction with a twist! Instead of electrical or nuclear powered technology it has gadgets powered by steam! Think cogs, gears, levers pistons, wood and brass MANIACS! Hoot hoot!



Wanna make steam come out of your ears? Then try building this! It's a steam punk version of Jabbas Sail barge. AWSM! Workshopped by ACPin.



Your granny would love this one! It looks like an old wireless radio but still blasts all your favourite tunes at the touch of a button! Workshopped by Neal Bridges, Canada <http://www.bridgens.ca>

Want to crank open jaws? Shovel tasty steam-punk cake into furnace and watch! Workshopped by Nemo Critical Battery Cakes and Confections USA.



Teet driz bop eep  
("One day I will rule  
the empire!")

A long time ago in a galaxy far far away there was a steam punk version of R2D2...and we MANIACS just want to heaven! Workshopped by Mark Edwards, Birmingham UK.







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funny, big time."

—Jeff Kinney, author of  
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## W3IRD SCIENCE!

## MANIAC MIND READING CHALLENGE!



LOOK INTO MY EYES, NOT AT MY  
TAIL. YOU WILL TRY THESE MIND  
TRICKS ON YOUR FRIENDS, WON'T  
YOU MANIACS?

### HOW DID YOU DO THAT?

YOUR WILL IS  
MY COMMAND,  
MY MASTER

Ask your victim these questions. Tell them it's for an important geography assignment and to keep their answers to themselves until the end.

1. Think of a country that starts with D.  
(Most people will think of Denmark)
2. Think of the last letter of that country's name and an animal that starts with that letter.  
(most people will think of a Kangaroo)
3. Now take the last letter of that animal and think of a fruit that starts with that letter.  
(most people will think of an orange)
4. Now put both of your hands on the side of your head and close your eyes. Say you're reading their mind. Reveal the answer as an orange and watch their surprise!

### REAL MENTALIST

A mentalist is someone who uses the power of suggestion, body language and hypnosis to read someone's mind and change their behaviour.

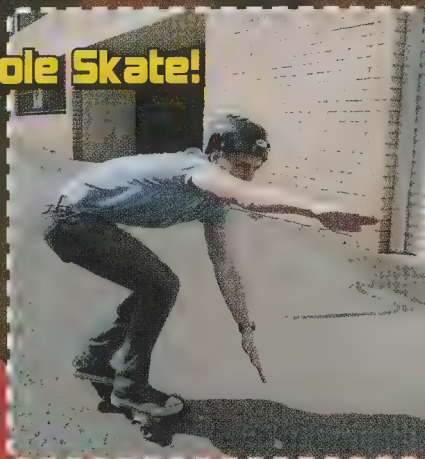
Famous British mentalist Derren Brown once hypnotised viewers of his TV show in their homes by broadcasting subliminal messages. He made them feel that they were stuck to their sofas and couldn't get up. Yikes!

# SOLE SKATE SURVIVOR!

**We roadtest the shreddin' Sole Skate!**

**WHAT IS IT?** It's a mini, three-wheeled skating device.

**ROAD TEST!**



Once you're rolling the Sole Skate is surprisingly easy to control and feels quite stable. We found it was best to start on a slight downhill and allow speed to pick up slowly. To stop just step off the board and the brake will kick in, meaning no runaway Sole Skate!



Before we got on it we sussed out what makes the Sole Skate unique. The button on the top means it won't roll if you're not on it. Big tick! The three wheel setup allows for plenty of carving. Another big tick!

Just like a normal skateboard you put one foot on the board and the push off. The ball of your foot should be between the front two wheels and your back foot on the little ledge at the back of the Sole Skate.



**WHAT'S DA SCORE!**

**PRICE:** \$99<sup>95</sup>

**PROS:** We love how portable it is - perfect size to clip to a backpack! It feels solid and well designed.

**CONS:** It's pretty expensive and it can feel awkward to ride.

**SCORE:** 7.5/10



# 10 MASSIVE MOVIE SECRETS!



## TOY STORY

The movie is a homage to the classic Disney animated films. In the opening scene, Woody is seen in a scene that is a direct reference to the opening scene of the classic Disney film 'The Lion King'.

## TOY STORY 2

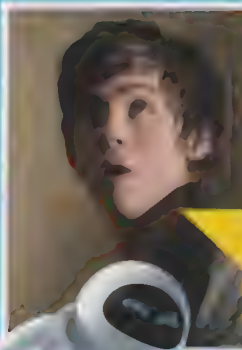
When Buzz is looking at the numbers on the wall, the numbers read 11, 12, 14, 13, 15, 16.

## ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS

The number of Dave's house (1355) is the same year that Alvin and the Chipmunks originally debuted on TV.

## WALL-E

When the robot is looking through the window of the Axiom, you can see the Earth in the background. If you look closely you'll see one of the satellites is the Sputnik, the first satellite in space.



## PERCY JACKSON & THE OLYMPIANS: THE LIGHTNING THIEF

When Brown, Annabeth and Percy go to Luke's house, they find him playing Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 2. Kevin Conroy the actor who plays Poseidon also is the voice of Capt. Soap McTavish in the game.



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## HARRY POTTER AND THE CHAMBER OF SECRETS!

When Harry first travels by Floo Powder and ends up in Knockturn Alley, the first freaky witch that walks up to him is actually Harry Potter author J.K. Rowling.

## LORD OF THE RINGS: THE RETURN OF THE KING

When Faramir and Gondor's soldiers are riding down the road at Minas Tirith to their certain death, the women and children are shown throwing flowers into their path. The camera then focuses on a woman with two children. The one with the short curly black hair is director Peter Jackson's daughter.

## IRON MAN

Tony Stark's mobile phone ring is the original Iron Man theme song from the 1966 TV series.

## ALICE IN WONDERLAND

When Alice is talking about her nonsense world and climbs down the tree, if you look in the background you'll see the clouds form a Mickey Mouse silhouette.



# GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS 2010 GAMER'S EDITION

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WORLD RECORD?  
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## LARGEST COLLECTION OF POKÉMON MEMORABILIA

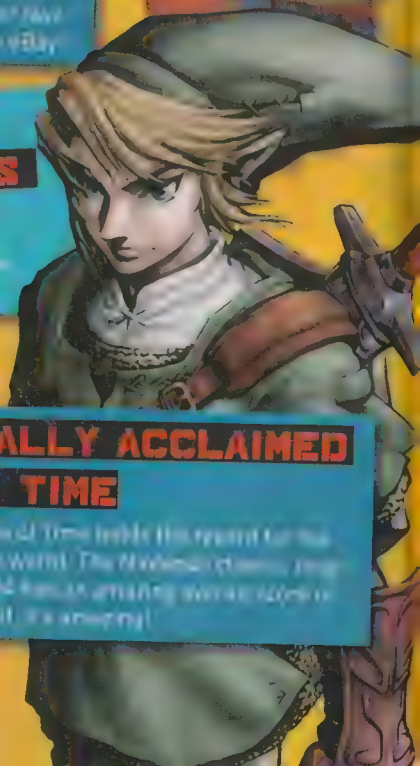
Each Discworld of the UK has committed its members to a £2,112 (approx) Pokémon memorabilia drive over the last 11 years! This year's haul is a collection of the Pokémon Amulet that the breed A from eBay.

## LONGEST RUN OF WINS AGAINST HUMAN OPPONENTS IN STREET FIGHTER IV

He won against 248 human opponents in 100 matches in Street Fighter IV, a record that was broken in February 2009.

## MOST CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED GAME OF ALL TIME

The Legend of Zelda: Breath of the Wild holds the record for the highest average rating in the world. The Master of Time is finally available on Nintendo 3DS as an amazing new adventure. With 100% Track it down and play it, it's amazing!



## FIRST UNIVERSITY TO OFFER A COMPETITIVE VIDEOGAMING QUALIFICATION

More University of Bathing's Bachelor's students can now Game Theory in University. Bathing-week courses covering the competitive and tactical side of University Bathing. Bath to school. BATHING, and you may end up doing your M!

## FIRST GAME TO BE CONTROLLED BY THE PLAYER'S POSTERIOR

Reynard's Mating: Lizards TV Party has the honour of being the first ever video game that can be controlled with your behind to the "Bleatle Batching" - using your posterior the action by sitting on the remote control and shilling your weight from behind to the "Zookeepers - We think it

## LONGEST VIDEOGAME DEVELOPMENT PERIOD

Released in the 1970s, the videogame Diver: Water Tower has been in development for more than 30 years. MANAGE WATER TOWER, since they started building and the first official finished! Game over, there's no the player can by the way we get to play this game.

**WIN!**

We've got ten copies of the Guinness World Records 2010 Gamer's

Edition to give away and all you need to do to enter is send us an amazing drawing of your fave game character! Get your entries in to:



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# CRACK UP! LOL!



LOL!

**CADE, 10**

Why did the lizard cross the road?  
To see his flat-mate!



**WILLIAM, 6**

Why do soccer players have trouble eating?  
They think they can't use their hands!



**JACK, 9**

Why did the handkerchief start dancing up a storm?  
Because it had a lot of boogie in it!



**BENN, 10**

What did the angel say to the other angel?  
(Halo there!)



**LAUREN, 13**

What do you call the soft stuff between sharks' teeth?  
Slow swimmers!



**RABBIT**

Why did the little bat brush his teeth?  
Because he had his teeth!



LOL!

**ADAM**

Knock, knock,  
Who's there?  
Adam.  
Adam who?  
Adam up and tell me the total!

Send us your best joke AND a recent photo for your chance to win this cool prize pack.

WIN!



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# Potter mania!

We can't get enough of your AWSM Harry Potter art – here are our picks for this month!  
Keep the magic flowing, YAKS!

HARRY



Ophelie, 10, NSW

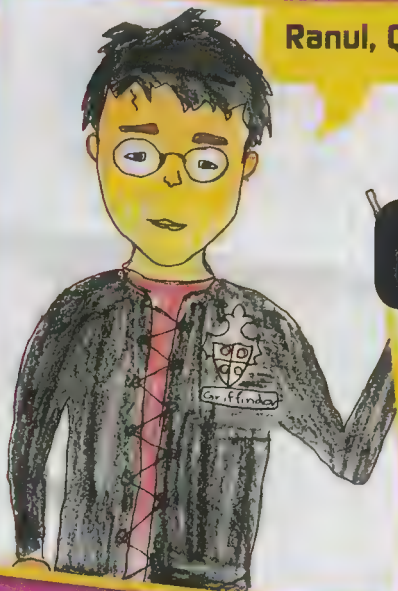


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# YAK CHAT!

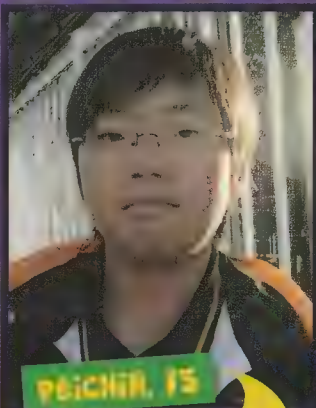
WHO IS THE COOLEST SUPERHERO?



**Iron Man**



**Spiderman**



**Batman**



**Iron Man**



**Wolverine**



**Bubbles from The Powerpuff Girls**

# GAMES



**RAD  
FACTOR  
10**

**THE RETURN  
OF THE PRINCE!**



## MADDEN IS SUPER SMART!

For the sixth time in seven years, EA's Madden series has predicted the winner of the Superbowl before the game happens! Simulating the game at EA Sports' head office, Madden 2010 correctly chose the New Orleans Saints to win over the Indianapolis Colts. We wish we had that kind of luck!



## HEY, LEGO OF MY LIGHTSABER!

Get ready for more Star Wars fan force-funs, because Lucasarts and TT Games have announced LEGO Star Wars Episode III: The Clone Wars! The game is coming to all systems

except the PS2 in Spring, and will be based on the AWSM animated series. Expect plenty of action and LOLs!



## SO LONG, XBOX...

Microsoft have announced that from April 15, original Xbox games will no longer work over Xbox Live. On the plus side, this is being done to make Xbox Live even better for Xbox 360 owners – it's going to be another great year for Xbox gamers!



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SIMS!

In early February, The Sims turned 10 years old. Since 2000, there have been three 'The Sims' games and forty-three expansions and spin-offs, totalling 125 million copies sold between them! Those are some CRAZY numbers – The Sims has made more than \$2.5 billion, which would take most kids over four million years to save in pocket money!



## POKÉ- MENTAL!

Nintendo have announced yet another brand new Pokémon game for the DS before the end of 2010 in Japan! So far only two new Pokémon have been shown off – Zoroark, which evolves into Zoroark. We can't wait to catch one!



INTRODUCING...  
ZORUAI



## RETRO SEGA FUN ON ITS WAY!

You may not know this, but Sega used to release their own consoles as well as games. While they're not likely to compete against Nintendo again, the upcoming Sega Zone looks like great fun! It'll

have 20 classics from the Sega Megadrive, 14 arcade games and 16 motion controlled sports games when it launches this year!

## MANIA'S TOP 5 GAMES OF THE MONTH

1. **Chime** - Xbox 360
2. **A Boy and his Blob** - Wii
3. **The Beatles: Rock Band** - Xbox 360
4. **Tatsunoko vs. Capcom** - Wii
5. **Flower** - PS3



## FIFA WORLD CUP 2010 SOUTH AFRICA

**Platform:** Xbox 360, PS3, Wii, PC  
**Style:** Soccer **Publisher:** EA  
**Available:** April 27

The greatest sporting event in the world, mixed with the greatest sport game series in the world? Count us in! EA's new World Cup game looks like it will have better graphics and gameplay than even the totally AWSM FIFA 10, with heaps of details added to the crowds and the pitch. There are too many tweaks and changes to list here, but we're seriously expecting the best soccer game ever. We can't wait to lead Australia to victory!



## 3D DOT GAME HEROES

**Platform:** PS3 **Style:** Adventure  
**Publisher:** Atlus  
**Available:** May



In 3D Dot Game Heroes, old-school meets new-school in some seriously cool ways! It looks a lot like Zelda – but not Twilight Princess on Wii or Spirit Tracks on DS. 3D Dot Game Heroes wants modern players to relive the magic of the original Legend of Zelda, released in 1986! Everything is made from blocks, lego style, and you can change the look of your character and weapons by building them yourself. One to watch!

## SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 4 EPISODE 1

**Platform:** PS3, Xbox 360, Wii  
**Style:** Platformer **Publisher:** Sega  
**Available:** 2010

Woah, talk about a blast from the past! Ask any older gamers in your family and they'll tell you that the old Sonic games were incredible – some people even say they were better than the old Mario games! This new game will have 2-D gameplay, like all the best Sonic games have had, but the graphics will be in 3-D, like the new games. It's the best of both worlds, and we're really excited to see how it turns out!



Sonic using "Baked Bean power"!

## IRON MAN 2

Platform: Wii, PS3, Xbox 360

Style: Action Publisher: Sega

Available: April



**It was at that exact moment that he realised he had forgotten to install a toilet in the suit.**

We loved the first Iron Man film, but the game? Not so hot. Iron Man 2 is looking heaps better though, with all new controls and a unique story that doesn't just repeat what you already saw in the film. Sega is promising that Iron Man will be much easier

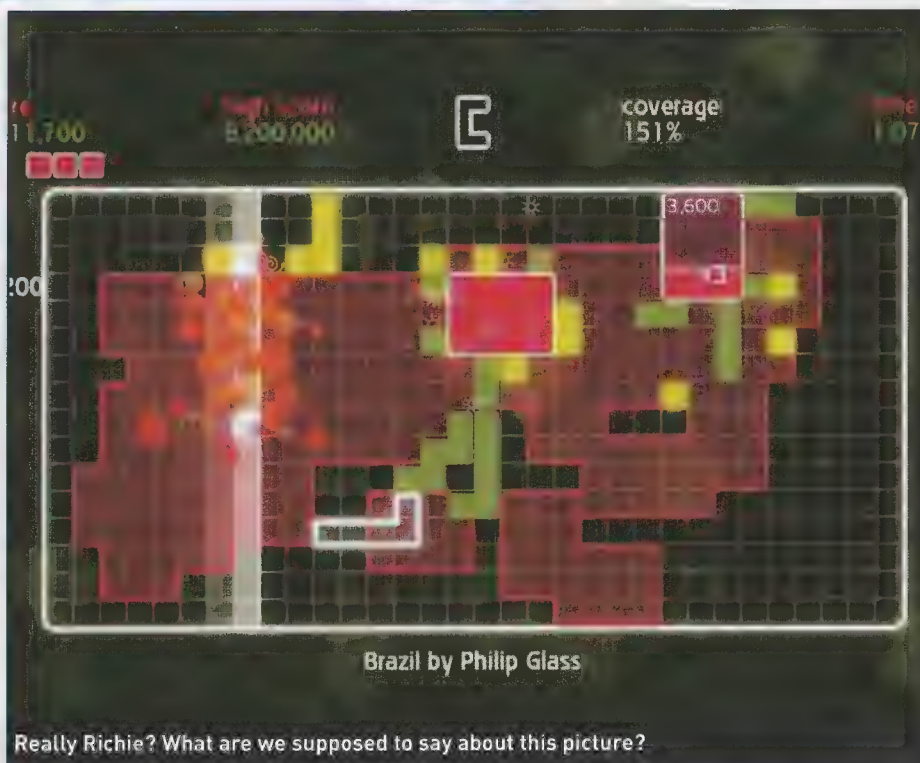
to fly this time, and the combat looks a lot more fun than the last outing. We're looking forward to getting a chance to play as Iron Man's superhero mate, War Machine!





## CHIME

Platform: XBLA Style: Puzzle  
 Publisher: Price: 400 MS Points  
 Available: Now

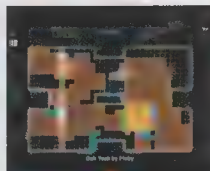


Really Richie? What are we supposed to say about this picture?

**GAMEPLAY:** Chime is a great music based puzzle game, in which the music changes based on where you lay down blocks on a grid! Your goal is to create lots of big squares and rectangles on screen by fitting together the shapes you're given quickly. It's sort of like a combination of Tetris and Lumines → it's not an easy one to explain, but it is easy to pick up and play! It's really cheap too, and 60% of the profits go to charity, so you get a great game for yourself and you get to make the world a slightly better place! It's also super addictive, so make sure you've finished all

your homework before you start playing, YAKS!

**GRAPHICS:** The graphics aren't really all that important in a game like this. It looks nice enough, but it's not the kind of game that makes your jaw drop. The music is AWSM though, which is important – even though there are only five tracks, each of them will get you tapping your foot in time with the beat. The way the music changes based on where you're placing blocks is really cool – this is a must-play for any musical MANIACS out there!

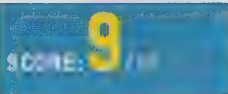


**HOT!**

Great fun, addictive and cheap!

**NOT!**

More than five tracks would have been nice.



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## FLICK TRIX!

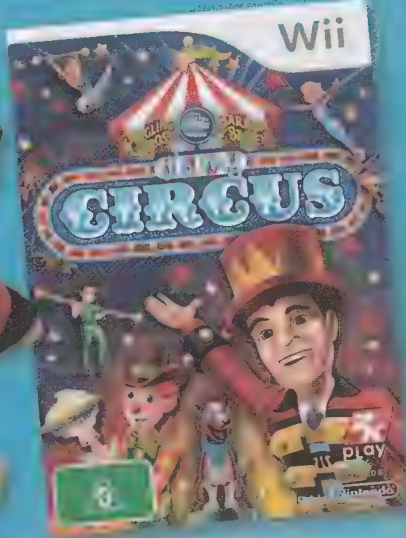
If you've always wanted to do WIKKID tricks on your bike but mum or dad won't let you, then check this out! Flick Trix BMX are AWSM collectable miniature bikes that have real working parts that you can use to perform tricks with! So get your super trickster skills on because we've got 10 prize packs to give away!



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for an entry  
form.



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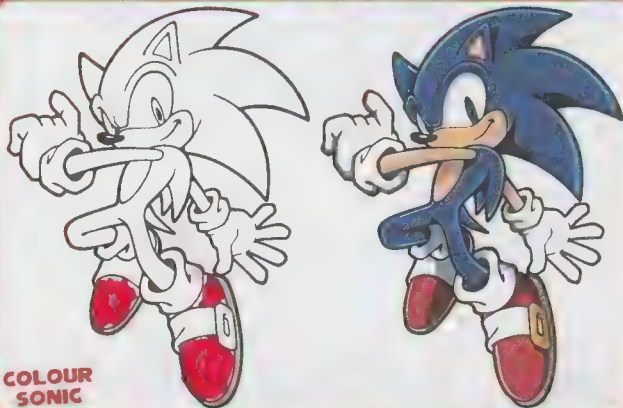
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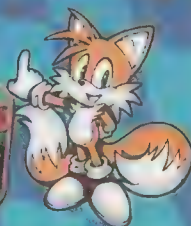
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# IRON MAN 2



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2

How can you use the letters in NEWWORD to make one word?

3

When is four half of five?

4

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3. in Roman Numerals - FIVE;

4. Your breath

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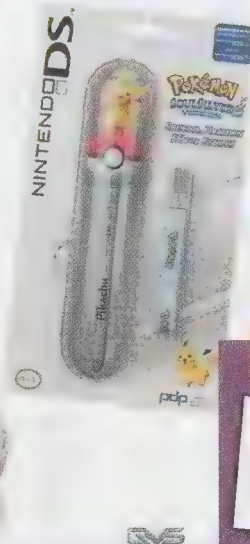
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# GOTTA CATCH 'EM ALL!

Love Pokémon and love playing your Nintendo DS? Well, get excited because now you can play in style with these AWSM Pokémon Gold and Silver Styluses! We've got eight of these Pokémon stylus sets to give away, along with a mystery game case for your Nintendo DS selected from a range of cases including a backpack, Nerf case and Pokémon sleeve! To win this AWSM accessories pack, tell us which Pokémon you wish you could be and why!



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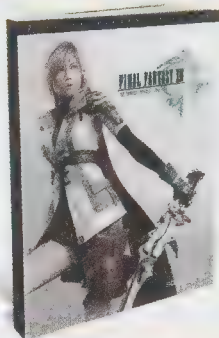
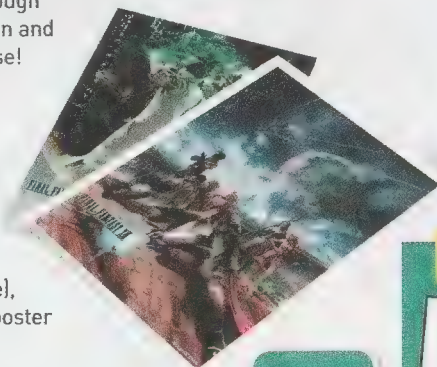
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Get ready for action YAKS, the latest Final Fantasy game is here! Test your magic and weapon skills as you go on an epic adventure through the cityworld of Cocoon and the outerworld of Pulse!

One major winner will win a copy of the Collector's Edition of Final Fantasy XIII on Xbox 360, the Official Strategy Guide (thanks to Bluemouth Interactive), and a limited edition poster and art card set!

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BARDA  
SHADOW LORD  
JASMINE  
FILI  
KREE  
BELT  
DELTORA  
DELL  
QUEST

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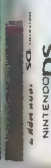


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## TIME TO GET YOUR BATTLE SUITS OUT YAKS!

Iron Man 2 fever is in the air! Not only are we excited about this blockbuster flick hitting the big screen, but there's the AWSM new Iron Man 2: The Video Game! Channel your inner Iron Man as you shoot and blast your enemies in all different settings! Or maybe playing as the powerful hero isn't your style? Then check this out - for the first time, you'll also be able to play as Iron Man's buddy, the wikkid War Machine! Grimace Dynamic and Whiplash battle in which their backs!



We've got some AWSM Iron Man 2 prize packs to give away for PS3, Wii, Xbox 360, and Nintendo DS! We have 2 packs per platform to give away and each winner gets a limited edition copy of Iron Man 2: The Video Game, an Iron Man mask, and a repulsor! (see rules below) Winner: Mark 2: The Video Game

WIN!

Channel your inner superhero and win of these rad prize packs!

To enter, just draw Iron Man and Whiplash in an epic showdown! And don't forget to tell us which game platform you want!

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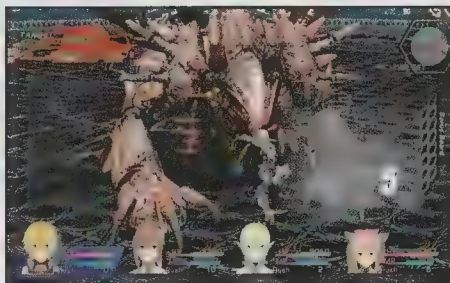


# STAR OCEAN: THE LAST HOPE — INTERNATIONAL

Platform: PS3 Style: RPG

Publisher: Square Enix

Price: \$99.95 Available: Now



**GAMEPLAY:** Do you ever look up at the stars at night and just want to explore up there? Well, now you can – sort of. Star Ocean is a huge RPG set over many different planets. It starts off pretty slow, but gets heaps better as it goes on – you really need to be patient! The combat system is an interesting change from what we're used to, and the story is pretty good, but again it takes a while to get going. It's certainly not a bad game, but on the other hand, there are a LOT of great RPGs either out now or just around the corner – you might want to wait for next month's review of Final Fantasy XIII before committing to Star Ocean!

**GRAPHICS:** When you're standing still or watching a cutscene, the graphics in Star Ocean are great. But the characters don't quite look right when they move and objects have a habit of suddenly popping up on screen! Some of the cutscenes go on WAY too long as well – nearly an hour in some cases! Still, it's a good looking game on the whole and exploring different planets means there's a lot of variety.



**HOT:** 

A pretty solid RPG with a fun battle system.

**NOT!** 

Those cutscenes are just ridiculous!

SCORE **7** / 10



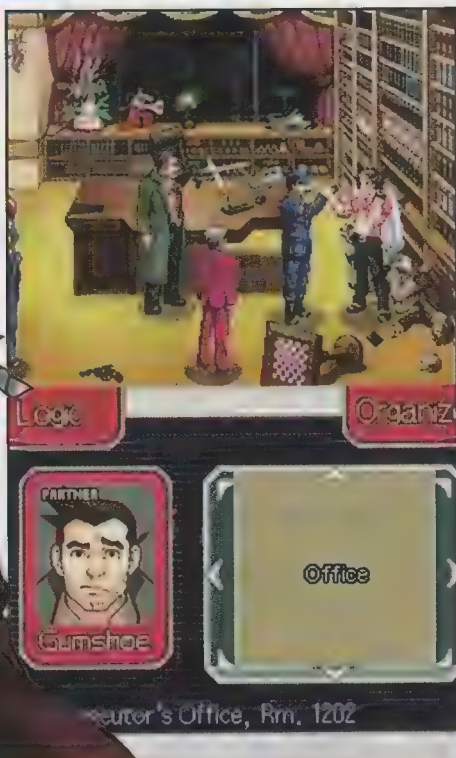
# ACE ATTORNEY INVESTIGATIONS: MILES EDGEWORTH

Platform: DS Style: Adventure

Publisher: Capcom

Price: \$49.95 Available: Now

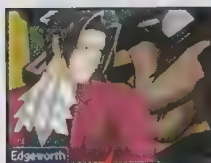
Yeah, I'm actually making a guest appearance in Twilight...



**GAMEPLAY:** Miles Edgeworth, gaming's greatest prosecutor, is back! If you've played the other Ace Attorney games, this one is a bit different – there's no proper court cases until right at the end, but it still features the usual mix of exploring and picking apart people's arguments. You also spend a lot of time looking over crime scenes for clues and piecing together information to discover new facts about the crimes you're solving. Edgeworth isn't a typical lawyer, he's also a kick-butt detective, and solving crimes is really fun and satisfying! Some of the puzzle solutions are a little silly, which makes the game a

bit frustrating sometimes, but it's so well written that you'll have a blast with it regardless. Just make sure you've played the other Ace Attorney games first, because this one is PACKED with jokes aimed at the fans!

**GRAPHICS:** This isn't the best looking game on the DS, but the characters are so full of charm you'll hardly notice! There are heaps of LOLs to be had when the characters get nervous, especially when you start accusing them of crimes! Be wary though, there's a tiny bit of blood in the game, so if you're squeamish be careful.



**HOT!**

We really love this series, and it's great to have another one!

**NOT!**

It's sometimes hard to know what to do next.

**SCORE:** 8 /10

## PERCY JACKSON AND THE LIGHTNING THIEF

Platform: DS Style: Action  
Publisher: Activision Price: \$59.95  
Available: Now



We love Percy Jackson's cool take on the Greek gods, but the game isn't great. It plays like an RPG, but instead of exploring, the game is just a series of turn-based fights. You get more characters and skills as you go, and you can level-up your abilities, but it never really gets fun. If you really love Percy Jackson, you may get a kick out of seeing him fighting in your DS, but sadly it won't last long. Sorry, Percy fans!



**HOT:**

All your favourite Percy Jackson characters are in it.

**NOT!**

It's just not very fun...

SCORE: 4 / 10

## BLEACH: THE THIRD PHANTOM

Platform: DS Style: Strategy  
Publisher: Sega Price: \$69.95  
Available: Now



**HOT:**

Absolutely essential if you love Bleach!

**NOT!**

It's not really designed for non-fans.

SCORE: 7 / 10

This is a tactical turn-based strategy game, like Fire Emblem, Disgaea or Final Fantasy Tactics, but not as deep. While the battle system is pretty decent, the main selling point for most of you will be that it follows an all-new plot, giving you more insight into the world of Bleach! If you love Bleach, this is a great game to have, but if you're just a casual fan or not into the show, all the talking between fights might put you off.



## SUPER MONKEY BALL STEP &amp; ROLL

Platform: Wii Style: Puzzle

Publisher: Sega

Price: \$69.95 Available: Now



If you lose this game, real live monkeys may fling poo at you. Just a friendly warning.

**GAMEPLAY:** Super Monkey Ball is back on the Wii, and this time it's compatible with the Balance Board! Unfortunately controlling with the board is way too hard and not much fun, but you can still use the Wii remote to tilt your monkey through 80 different levels. It's not as hard as the older games, which is a bit of a shame, but that also means you can get the whole family involved, even if they never play games! If you're a perfectionist and want to collect all the bananas on every level, the game can be quite a bit harder, and more fun as a result!

There's 21 mini-games included, but most of them aren't worth your time – Monkey Race is okay, but the rest should be ignored. Step and Roll isn't as good as the old games on the GameCube, PS2 and Xbox, but still pretty cool!

**GRAPHICS:** The graphics are a little too simple, but still have heaps of personality. The monkeys AWSM, and we love their little victory dances after each level! The campaign mode levels look heaps better than alot of the mini-games, but then that's where you'll be playing most anyway.

**HOT!**

Rolling monkeys around with the Wii remote is good fun!

**NOT!**

The mini-games are pretty bad.



# SONIC & SEGA ALL STARS RACING

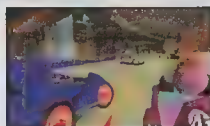
Platform: DS Style: Racing  
Publisher: Sega  
Price: \$69.95 Available: Now



**GAMEPLAY:** All your favourite Sega characters – and a few you’ve probably never heard of – feature in the DS version of Sonic & Sega All Stars Racing! There’s heaps to do, with three difficulty settings, six different cups to compete in, 24 tracks, online races and a mission mode that gives you a bunch of challenges to complete. The controls are simple and satisfying, especially when you pull off a really long drift and get rewarded with a turbo boost! The weapons are fun too, even though it’s a real pain when you get hit by a heat-seaking missile.

It’s not as good as Mario Kart DS, but then very few racing games are, and it comes closer than most! Stay tuned next issue for a review of the console versions.

**GRAPHICS:** It might not look as good as the console version, but Sonic & Sega All Stars Racing can still hold its own on the DS. Some track corners aren’t always clear, which can be frustrating, but otherwise everything looks nice on the small screen. It’s very cool seeing so many of our favourite Sega characters captured so well in a single DS cartridge!



**HOT!**

Heaps of cool characters and a great mission mode.

**NOT!**

Getting hit by a missile and losing the lead can suck!

SCORE: **8** /10



# SAND ZOMBIES

## THE PRINCE OF GAMES SWINGS BACK INTO ACTION!

**A few issues back we took a good look at one of our favourite games series of all time – Prince of Persia! This time around we're getting into the sword swing of things with the brand new Prince of Persia: The Forgotten Sands!**



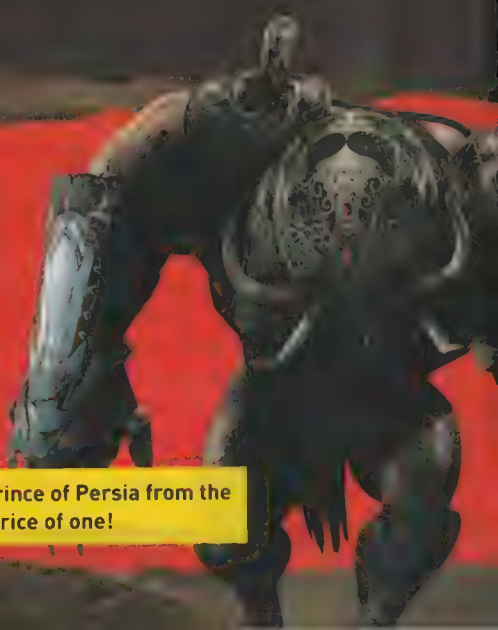
The Forgotten Sands takes the series back to its all time high, looking a lot like the amazing Sands of Time game released in 2003. The wall-running and free flowing acrobatics are all back and so is the Prince's ability to rewind short bursts of time. There's

also some new technology behind the scenes that allows up to 50 enemies on screen at any time which will make for some truly grand battles!

### WII WANT THE PRINCE!

Sometimes when an epic new game comes out it feels like the Wii has been forgotten. In the rush to make use of awesome 360 and PS3 graphics, the Wii versions sometimes look rougher than falling off a skateboard onto sandpaper. Not for the Prince though! The Wii version is a completely original game, developed just for the Wii and it'll have different gameplay, controls and storyline. Swinging the remote will swing your sword and using the nunchuk will throw a punch! Epic!

**Wii owners also score the old school classic Prince of Persia from the Super Nintendo days! Two rad games for the price of one!**



# ATTACK!

## POP FACTS

**TITLE:** Prince of Persia: The Forgotten Sands

**OUT:** Late May

**ON PLATFORMS:** PS3, Xbox 360, Wii, PC

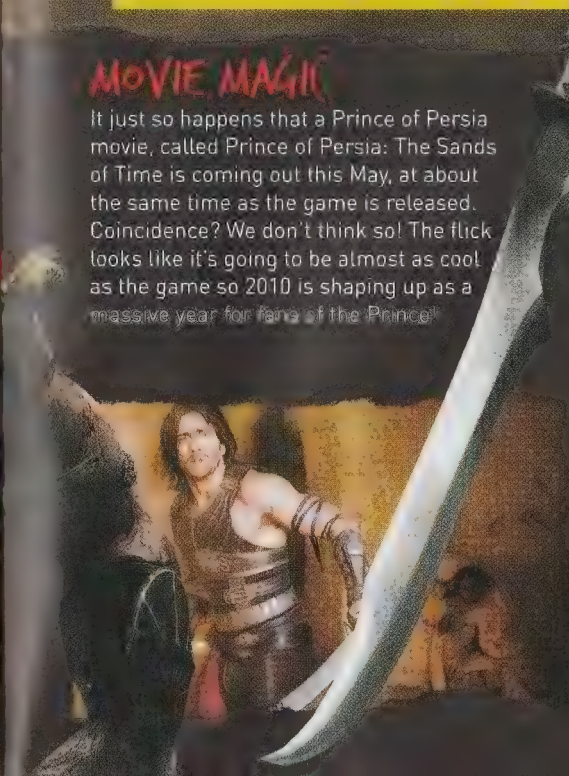
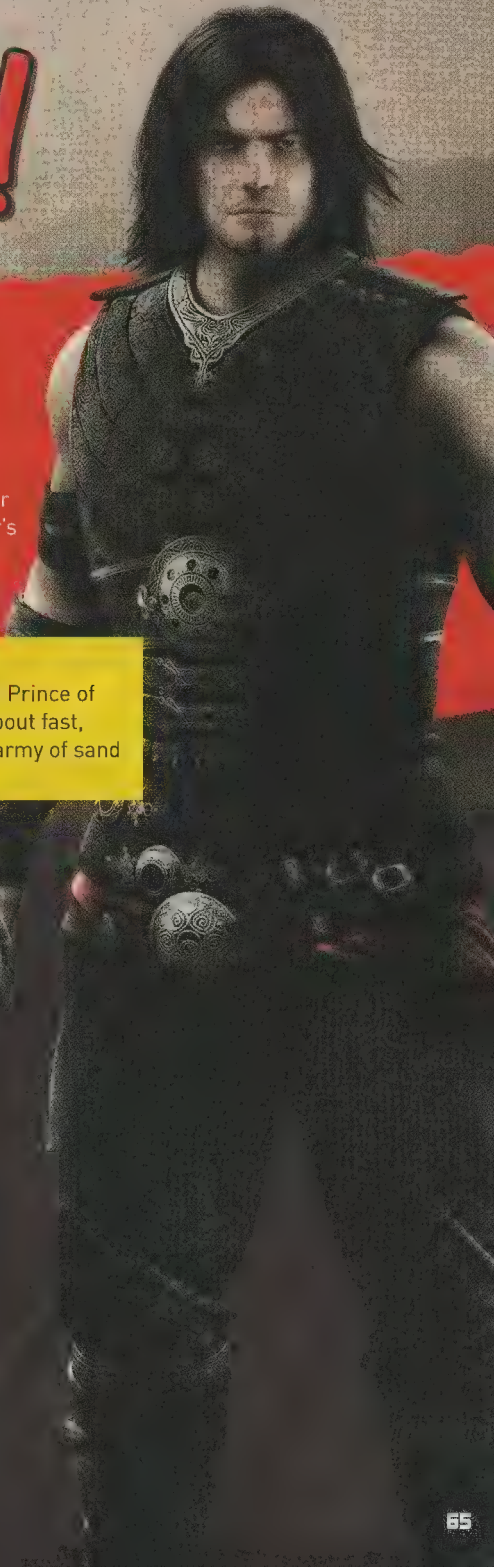
**STORY:** The game takes place in the seven year gap between The Forgotten Sands game and The Warrior Within. The Prince is called upon to save his brother's kingdom from a brutal army. He's also rumoured to have new elemental powers that can control sand, fire and water!

### Blocking = Bad

That's right MANIACS, there's no block button in Prince of Persia: The Forgotten Sands! This game is all about fast, fluid movement so if you wanna dodge that evil army of sand zombies, you'll need to be quick on your feet!

## MOVIE MAGIC

It just so happens that a Prince of Persia movie, called Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time is coming out this May, at about the same time as the game is released. Coincidence? We don't think so! The flick looks like it's going to be almost as cool as the game so 2010 is shaping up as a massive year for fans of the Prince!





# HALO LEGENDS!

## All hail Halo Legends!



Halo Legends is an anthology of seven Halo shorts made by six Japanese production houses.



### HALO LORE....

How well do you know your Haloverse MANIACS? Match these terms with their definitions for major Halo cred!

1. The Flood

3. The Covenant

2. The Spartans

4. Master Chief

### Definitions

A. A parasitic multi-celled organism

B. A group of highly trained biologically augmented soldiers

C. A genetically enhanced super-soldier and the main hero of the Halo universe

D. A religious alliance of different alien species united by their desire to destroy humanity

Your Answers:

1 =



2 =



3 =



4 =



# HALO TIME LINE!

Where it all began...

100,300 B.C.E.

The Forerunners come in contact with the alien race known as the Flood in the planet HATZEL.

100,000 B.C.E.

The Flood is first by the Forerunners killing all sentient life within their realm, including their own people.

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Humanity is at war with the Flood.

2525

Spartan IVs launch the UNSC Ingot Operations against the Covenant.

2525

One of the pillars of the Halo Wars is destroyed by the Covenant.

2553

The Halo Wars-Covenant War ends with the destruction of the Halo rings by the UNSC and the arrival of a team known as Master Chief.

## MASTER THE CHIEF!

Tips to being a Halo Multiplayer Pro

**1. Cherry Pick** - When you think your enemies' health is low, lob grenades to pick up easy kills.

**2. Play Co-Op** - Play through the Co-Op maps with a friend who is really good. Not only will you get better, but you will also get to see what they do.

**3. Camp** - Stay in a position where your enemies can't see you and then blast them away when they come into view. (Warning, people can get quite upset when you do this, so don't do it for too long).

**4. Strafe** - Move from side to side and dodge bullets. This will lengthen the amount of time before you are killed.

**5. Don't jump.** The jump in Halo is slow and other players can easily judge where you land.





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**PRINCE OF PERSIA:  
FORGOTTEN SANDS**

**TONY HAWK: RIDE**





# 2010 - YEAR OF

## Five Sequels We Wanna See This Year!

You can't  
imagine how  
cool this feels!

### Gran Turismo 5

GT5 is top of the list of sequels we want to see 'cos there's been a massive gap since GT4 and making the main type from Sony. This game is the series that will make the PS3 the ONLY system to buy and all signs are pointing fast coming out in 2010! We gotta warn you though, it's been supposedly coming out for years so we'll only truly believe it when we're actually sitting down to play what's going to be the greatest racing sim of all time.

### Scribblenauts 2

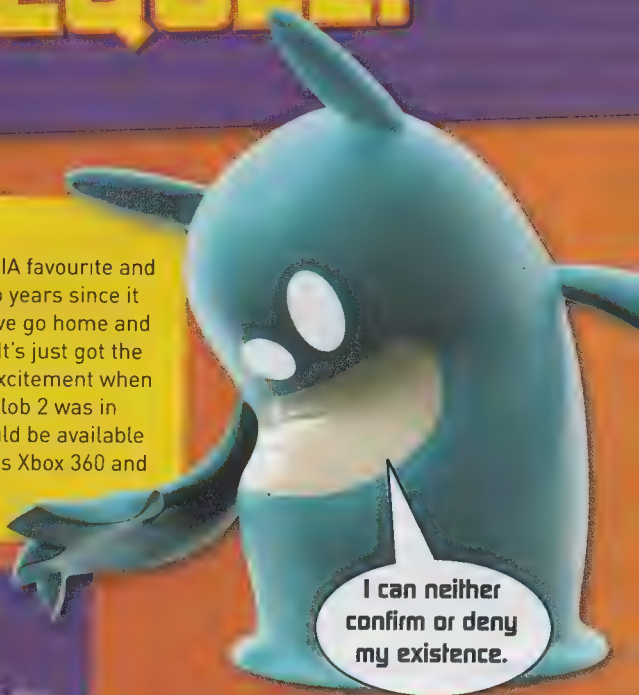
Scribblenauts was a brilliant game but after playing for ages there were definitely a few things we reckon could have been done a bit better. The great news is that the peeps at Warner Bros. games thought the same thing and Scribblenauts 2 is all set to drop in 2010. Using the same brilliant idea of solving problems through creativity, we're looking forward to new words, new worlds and new gameplay modes. Scribblenauts 2 AWAY!



# THE SEQUEL!

## De Blob 2

The original de Blob was a MANIA favourite and even though it's been nearly two years since it came out, it's still a game that we go home and play after a hard day at the HQ. It's just got the fun factor nailed! Imagine our excitement when THQ's boss mentioned that de Blob 2 was in the works and hinted that it would be available across all platforms! That means Xbox 360 and PS3 owners won't miss out this time!



## Lara Croft and The Guardian of Light

Don't let the name fool you. MANIACS also isn't a story about riding horses back to a village to be told in a way that's just a tad different. For the first time, we're not following the game over a dark, moody, violent world by reaching far from above and to the left, going to a better place if there are new events. It's a co-op adventure and there will be another playable character, turned out to be an Arabic spide expert. The game will not be only available as a download. It's a bit weird and you may feel like you're not in the world, it's still awesome. David Fisher, editor!



## LEGO Star Wars: The Clone Wars

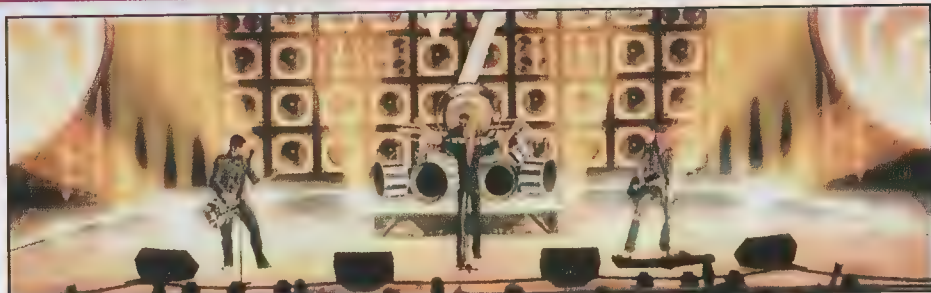
Does this game really need any introduction? The LEGO Star Wars games launched a whole new style of games when they first came out and now there's LEGO Batman, LEGO Indy and LEGO Harry Potter fighting for shelf space. They're all great but Star Wars is still the best (so far) and Clone Wars, with its unique characters and massive selection of Clone Trooper vehicles looks like it will keep the standard pretty high!





## GUITAR HERO VAN HALEN

Platform: Wii, Xbox 360, PS3, PS2



Enter these codes at the cheat menu in 'settings'.

Red, Red, Blue, Yellow, Green, Green, Green,

Yellow: **Air Instruments**

Red, Red, Red, Blue, Blue, Green, Green,

Yellow: **Always Drum Fill**

Green, Green, Red, Red, Yellow, Red, Yellow,

Blue: **Always Slide**

Yellow, Green, Red, Blue, Blue, Blue, Blue,

Red: **Auto Kick**

Yellow, Red, Green, Red, Green, Red, Red,

Blue: **Black Highway**

Green, Red, Yellow, Blue, Red, Yellow, Blue,

Green: **Extra Line 6 Tones**

Green, Red, Green, Blue, Red, Red, Yellow,

Blue: **Flame Colour**

Blue, Red, Red, Green, Red, Green, Red,

Yellow: **Gem Colour**

Blue, Red, Yellow, Yellow, Red, Green, Green:

**Hyperspeed**

MIGHT & MAGIC:  
CLASH OF HEROES

Platform: DS



## Unlocking new characters

Unlock Findan – Complete Chapter 1

Unlock Varkas – Complete Chapter 2

Unlock Markal – Complete Chapter 3

Unlock Jezebeth – Complete Chapter 4

Unlock Cyrus – Complete Chapter 5

**These characters are usable in Quick Battle and multiplayer, and all come armed with new spells!**



### Unlocking new characters:

**Asagi:** Unlock her map with 33 Felonies, 100 mana, and at any time after the first playthrough, defeat her and pass her bill as a Senator.

**Asagi (Humanoid):** Raise Asagi's level to 2000 and pass her bill as a senator.

**Celestial Host:** Clear Akutare mode 3-3.

**Entei Monster Class:** Beat Akutare Mode 2-3.

**Flonne:** Unlock ES8 with 40 hours game time, then defeat her during episodes 13+14.

**Gordon:** Unlock Extra Stage 4, and pass his bill after completing it.

**Lady Samurai:** Have a Disgaea 1 save file.

**Laharl:** After obtaining Flonne, pass Flonne's bill as a Senator and beat ES9.

**Mao:** Unlock his stage after obtaining Champloo and Raspberyl and the Land of Carnage

**Marjoly:** Unlock ES7 with 99 Felones, 1500 mana and at any time and defeat her. After, pass her bill.

**Mass Produced Kurtis:** Beat Extra Stage 4.

**Mr Champloo:** Unlock his stage with 50 hours game time and Akutare mode cleared.

**Preire:** Unlock ES6 with 66 Felonies, 100 mana and during Episode 1-9 and defeat her. After, pass her bill.

**Prism Red:** When Adell is a Senator pass the 5 prism rangers bills, then pass his bill a 2nd time and you have him in your party.

**Raspberyl:** Unlock her stage after clearing 30 Dark Sun Stages and obtaining Champloo.

**Sabre Kitties:** Unlocked after clearing Akutare Mode 1+2.

**Vyers/Midboss:** Unlock ES5 with 20 hours of Game time, 400 mana and in Episode 1-9 and beat his stage. On the next playthrough, get the stage again and pass his bill.

**Zetta:** Unlock ES11 with 10 Dark Sun Maps cleared and 3000 mana. Clear the map and pass his bill afterwards.



## A BOY AND HIS BLOB

Platform: Wii

### Bonus levels

A Boy and his Blob already seems pretty big with 40 levels, but did you know that there are 40 bonus levels as well? Every time you find all three treasure chests in a level, it unlocks a new bonus level. Better yet, every time you finish a bonus level, you unlock some rad bonus content, including lots of awesome pieces of artwork!



## STAR OCEAN: THE LAST HOPE

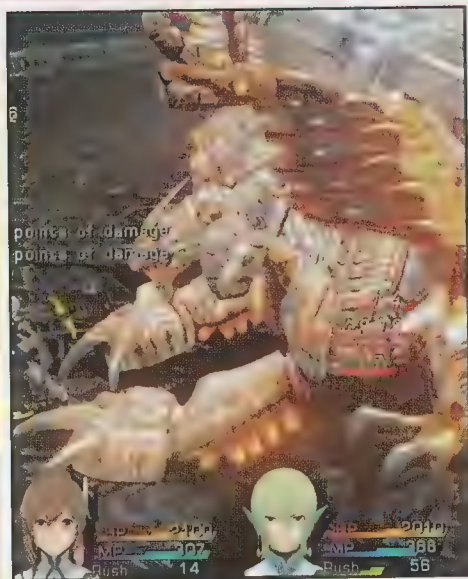
Platform: Xbox 360, PS3

### Unlock the Cave of the Seven Stars Dungeon

After beating the game, reload your last save and enter the left door up the stairs after the final save point. Fight and defeat the Undying Dragon, earning the Darkness Ring. Go back to the Colosseum in Tatloi, and use the ring on glyph in the wall at the end of the left hallway on the first floor. This unlocks a brand new dungeon to explore!

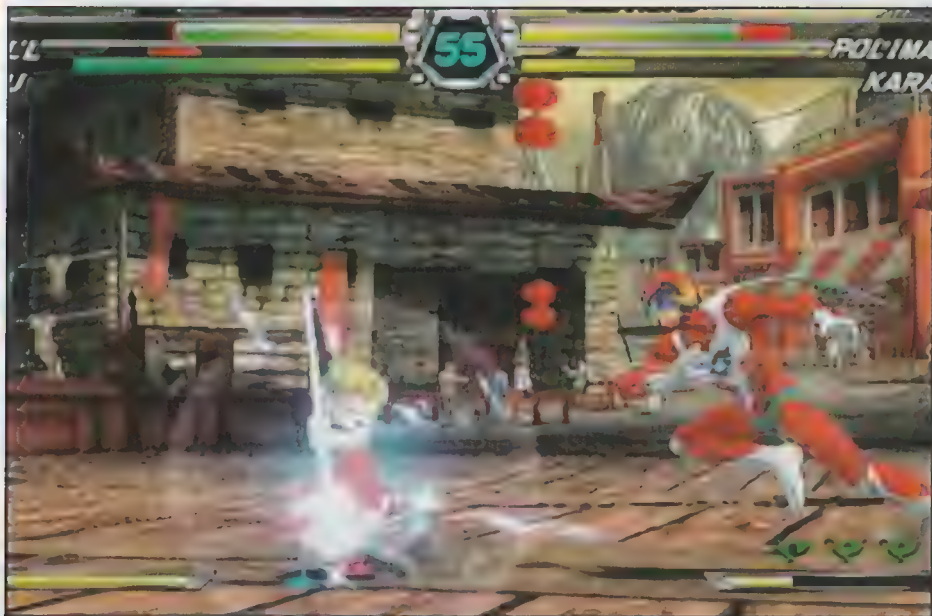
### Unlock the Wandering Dungeon

After finishing the Cave of the Seven Stars Dungeon, find Barago on the Old Road to Sanctuary and he'll show you how to get to this new dungeon. Be wary though, the Wandering Dungeon is very difficult and has no real ending, so it's for Star Ocean expert players only!



## TATSUNOKO VS. CAPCOM

Platform: Wii



Having trouble unlocking the five hidden characters in this totally AWSM Wii fighter? We're here to help:

**Frank West:** Get 3 different Capcom characters' Arcade endings.

**Joe the Condor:** Get 6 different Tatsunoko characters' Arcade endings.

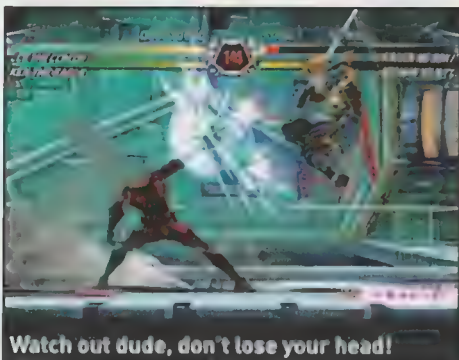
**Tekkaman Blade:** Get 3 different Tatsunoko characters' Arcade endings.

**Yatterman-2:** Get Frank West, Zero, Tekkaman Blade, and Joe the Condor's Arcade endings.

**Zero:** Get 6 different Capcom characters' Arcade endings.

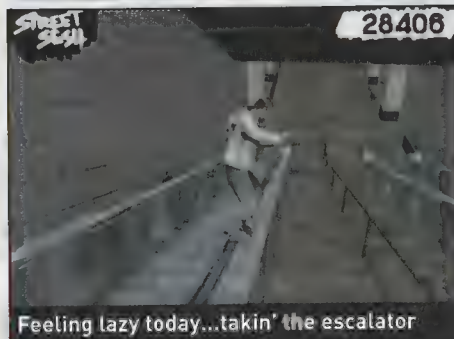
### Unlocking the Ultimate All-Stars Shooter Minigame

After beating Yami, the final boss, press any button during the credits. The music changes and you get to play a mini-game. Collect all the yellow letters during the credits to spell out 'THANK YOU FOR PLAYING', and you'll unlock this totally WICKED bonus game!





## STREET SESH!

Platform: Free Online Style: Sports  
Address:<http://www.freeonlinegames.com/sports-games/street-sesh.html>

One day, when you least expect it, a nutty white-haired professor will come screeching around the corner and ask you to come back to the future. In the meantime, ask yourself this question: Can you ride a skateboard like Marty McFly? If the answer is no, it's time to polish up your skills MANIACS.

Street Sesh is not the ultimate board flipping urban skating experience, no doubt that title belongs to one of Tony Hawk's excellent Pro Skater titles, but it will teach you a thing or two about skating in the city. Pull off ollies, kickflips, grind rails and park benches and perform complete 360's as you ride through a funky suburban

downtown metro with parks, ramps, stairs and parked vehicles! Just don't hit anything otherwise you'll land in a puddle of tomato sauce, which funnily enough always seems to be just where you fall!

We liked the skater's smooth action, which really makes you feel like you're carving up the pavement and small touches like being able get air off ramps and jump over cars.

On the downside once you've done the said three tricks, and sparked up a few rails you're left wanting more than the game can give you. But we suppose, if you get bored you could always take up bird watching? Just make sure you spot a Tony Hawk.

OUCH!

HOT!

Smooth action in a simple but effective game environment. You can grind rails and jump over cars.

NOT!

Gameplay is limited and unidirectional, there aren't enough moves to pull off and there is only one level.

SCORE 5.8 / 10

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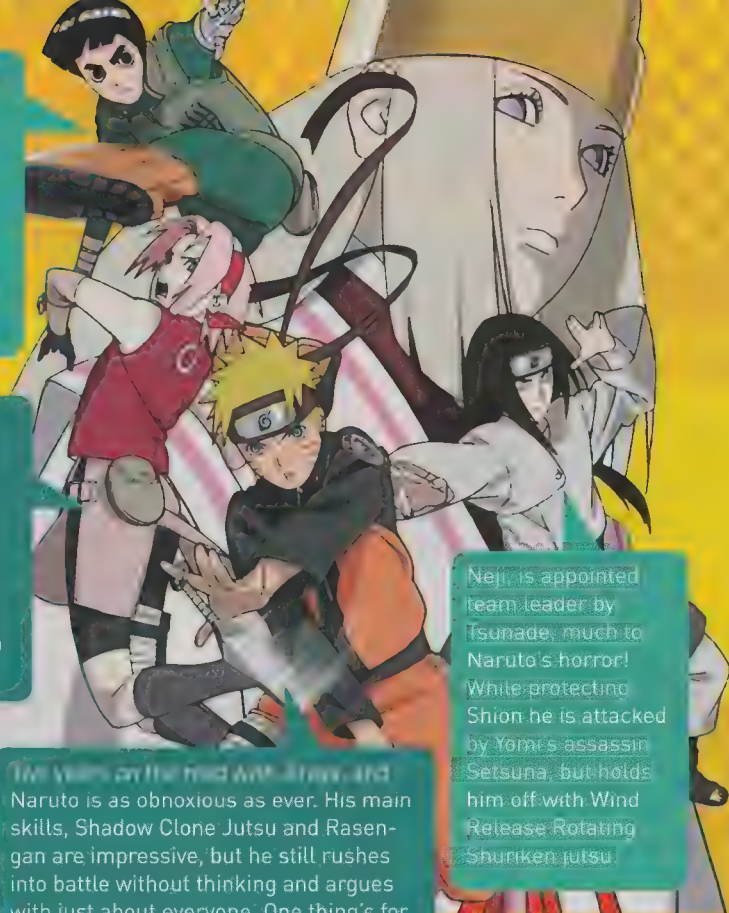
## NARUTO BITES THE DUST!

The team protecting Shion is one of the most formidable ninja teams ever assembled, we wonder if they can protect Naruto from a horrible death?

In the green corner, specialising in taijutsu, the art of using one's body in combat, put your hands together for Rock Lee, MANIACS! Lee faces his most dangerous battle yet and must open six of his chakra gates in a battle against one of Yomi's assassins, Gai!

Sakura has blossomed into a fighting machine under the skilful instruction of the fifth Hokage, Tsunade. With Precise control of her chakra, she is stronger and more skilful in taijutsu and medical-ninjutsu than ever before. Will she be the one to save Naruto?

So far priestess Shion's predictions about have proven to be 100 per cent accurate. Could she possibly be wrong this time?



Two years on the road with Itachi, and Naruto is as obnoxious as ever. His main skills, Shadow Clone Jutsu and Rasengan are impressive, but he still rushes into battle without thinking and argues with just about everyone. One thing's for sure, he's fearless and not about to let anyone tell him he's going to die!

Neji is appointed team leader by Tsunade, much to Naruto's horror! While protecting Shion he is attacked by Yomi's assassin Setsuna, but holds him off with Wind Release Rotating Shuriken jutsu.

## WHY WE THINK HE'S STILL ALIVE!

IF NARUTO DIED THERE WOULD BE NO ONE AROUND TO ANNOY SAKURAI!

TO KILL NARUTO YOU'D HAVE TO DESTROY THE NINE-TAILED DEMON FOX INSIDE HIM, NOT AN EASY JOB!

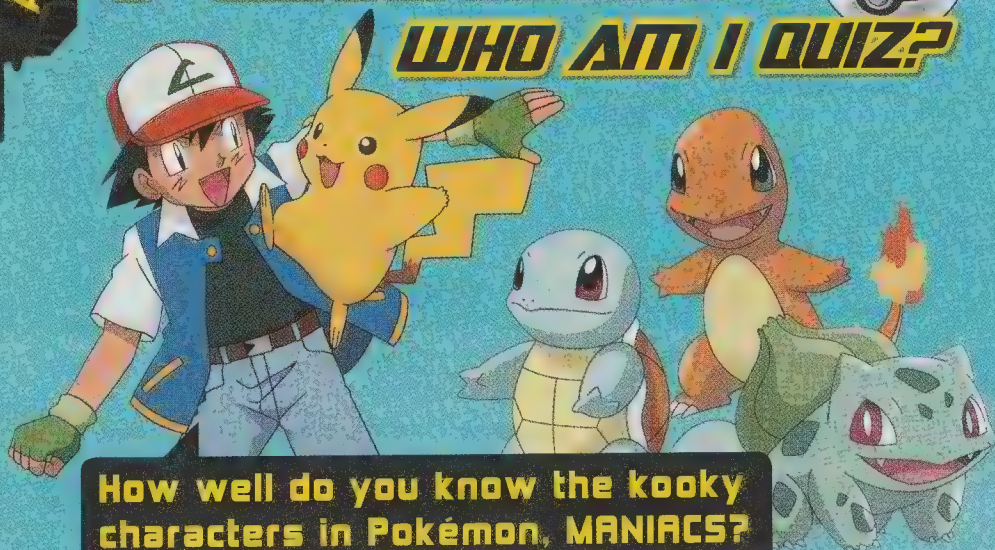
NARUTO NEVER ACCEPTS HIS FATE, HE'S TOO STRONG WILLED!

IT'S NARUTO'S FOURTH FILM AND HE HASN'T YET WON AN OSCAR!



# Pokémon

## WHO AM I QUIZ?



**How well do you know the kooky characters in Pokémon, MANIACS?**

**1.** I want to be the best Pokémon master ever! Who am I?

**2.** I was Ash's very first Pokémon. Who am I?

**3.** I am a fire type Pokémon that looks like a monkey. I was rejected by Paul because he thought I was weak, but I have found a home on Ash's team. Who am I?

**4.** I have purple hair and green eyes and am bad most of the time but can sometimes be good. I am a member of Team Rocket. Who am I?

**5.** I am a Pokémon on team rocket and one of the very few Pokémon that can talk. Who am I?

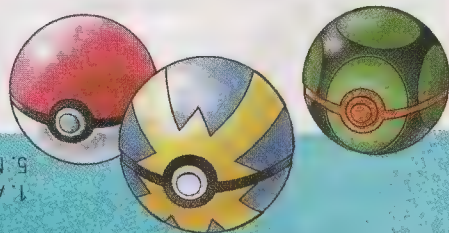
**6.** I am a girl member of Team Rocket. I have red hair and blue eyes. I am self-centred and care a great deal about my appearance. Who Am I?

**7.** I am a flying type Pokémon that looks like a small grey bird. Ash found me in the Sinnoh region when he was looking for Pikachu. Who am I?

**8.** I am a former gym leader from Pewter City. I left the gym to go and train to be a famous Pokémon breeder.

### ANSWERS

1. Ash 2. Pikachu 3. Chimchar 4. James 5. Meowth 6. Jessie 7. Starly 8. Brock







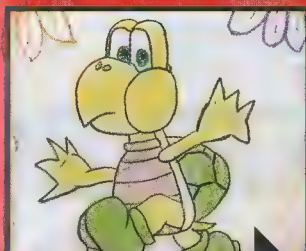
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Cormac, 9, Pendle Hill, NSW



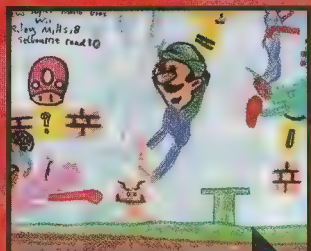
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Carly, 13, Berkeley, NSW



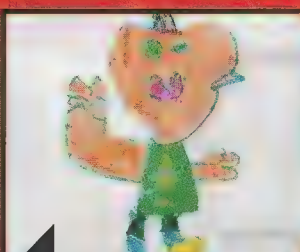
Jack, 11, Mt Martha, VIC



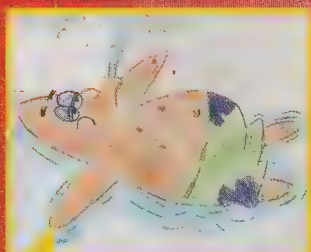
Riley, 8, Southern River, WA



Sarah, 14, Plympton, SA



Oliver, 6, Erskine, WA



Imogen, 13, Redcliffe, QLD



If you're an ANIMANIAC then put pen to paper and send us an anime masterpiece! You could score a CRAZY MYSTERY PRIZE! Wikkid! Send your entries to:

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**BETCHA  
DIDN'T  
KNOW!**

I love those  
headbanging  
tunes! 🎸

Termites eat wood  
twice as fast when  
listening to heavy  
metal music.

Sloths move so slowly that green algae  
can grow undisturbed on its fur!

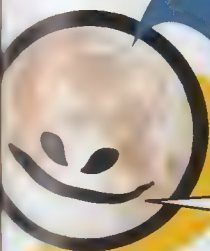
Human bone is five times  
stronger than a piece of steel  
the same size.

Who you callin'  
human fool?

matawhakatangi hangakoauauotamateapokaiwhenuakitanatahu

is the longest name of a place on Earth! This 85 letter place is the name of a hill in New Zealand.

Because of gravity you weigh less when the moon is directly overhead



I have come to suck your weight!!  
Mwahahaha



Bananas grow pointing upwards.

geep is the name of the animal you hear when you cross a goat and a sheep.



Baa! Am I a goat or sheep or geep?

If you counted all the stars in the galaxy at a rate of one every second, it would take more than 2000 years.

Ridiculous, this is.

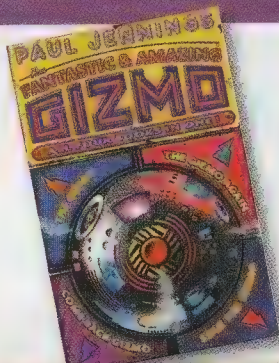
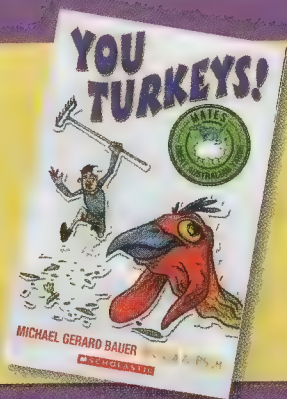




## You Turkeys

BY MICHAEL GERARD  
BAUER AND NAHUM ZIRSCH

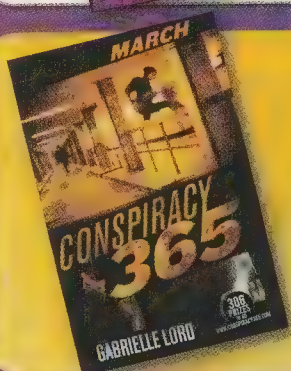
Scrub Turkeys are a menace! At least, they are if you believe Jake and Anna's dad who is trying to keep a nice, neat garden. A great story for younger MANIACS about learning to share – even with Turkeys!



## The Fantastic and Amazing Gizmo

PAUL JENNINGS

For the second month in a row Paul Jennings is in Book 'Em and we reckon that's absolutely amazing! Paul Jennings has been helping MANIACS read for about 20 years and he's still making crack-up books! Nice one PJ



## Conspiracy 365

GABRIELLE LORD

Excitement is this book's first, middle and last names! Taking place over 306 days, it's the story of Cal, a young fugitive running from both the cops and the crims. Told minute by minute, this thriller doesn't let up!



READ  
OF THE  
MONTH

## The Undrowned Child

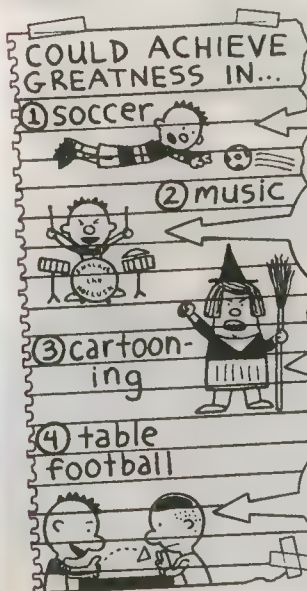
MICHELLE LOURIC

If you think mermaids are prissy princesses the salty, swearing sea-dogs in the Undrowned Child will quickly set you straight! Set in a murky Venice full of danger and magic, this is a tale of terror that'll keep you up all night!



I'm still not 100 per cent sure what KIND of greatness I'm destined for, but I'll figure it out. I've got options. I keep a list on my closet door about this very subject.

**SPECIAL  
BOOK 'EM  
EXTRACT!**



I'm the goalie for our school team.

Enslave the Mollusk - the band I started with Francis, Teddy, and Artur - ROCKS!

I specialise in caricatures of teachers.

I'm awesome at it, but it might be a tough way to make a living.

There's also stuff I definitely WON'T achieve greatness in, like opera, synchronised swimming, and cat grooming. Enough said.

Let's get back to the unfortunate fact that today's a school day. But what KIND? You know, not all school days are created equal. You can rank them by category. (Just so you know, I'm really into ranking stuff. One time I spent a solid week ranking every kind of snack food I could think of. At the top: Cheez Doodles. At the bottom: rice cakes.)

**DAD FACT:**  
Dad handed out rice cakes for Halloween one year. That was also the year our house got egged. Connect the dots, Dad.



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"Big Nate is funny, big time!"  
-Jeff Kinney, author of Diary of a Wimpy Kid

# BIG NATE

THE BOY WITH THE  
BIGGEST  
HEAD  
IN THE WORLD



Lincoln Peirce

**win!**

**win!**

Want to win a copy of the brilliant Big Nate? We've got ten copies to give away and to enter just send us a pic or drawing of you doing something you're great at! Entries to:

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mania**

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**'Sup MANIACS! Check out these totally rad drawings! Remember there's always room for more YAK art!**



**Tilly, Mudgeeraba, QLD**

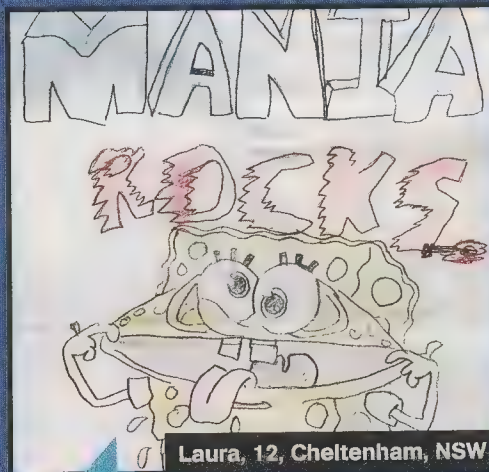
Dear MANIA, I think your magazine is the best and coolest ever and you have the best characters in your magazine!

Thanks Tilly! There's so many fantastic characters out there that we'd be crazy not to put them in the mag! Rock on! MANIA HQ



**Samuel, Beulah Park, SA**

Hi MANIA, I love your magazine and I love the games I can play on the computer. MANIA HQ  
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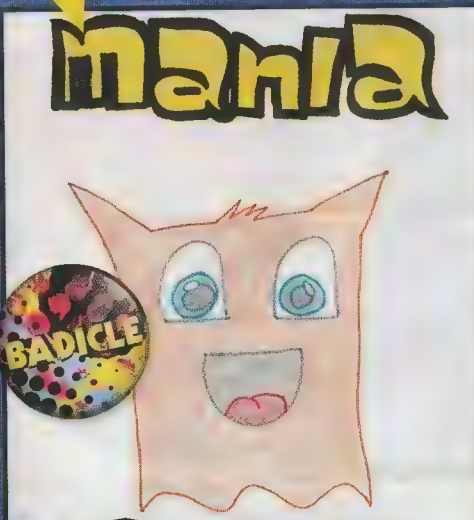


**Laura, 12, Cheltenham, NSW**

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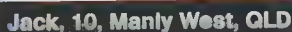
Check out this RAD drawing our mate Dan sent us! Thanks Dan - we love bright and colourful art from you guys!



**Dan, Coldstream, VIC**







Win! Win! Win! Win! Win! Win! Win! Win! Win! Win!  
 ...Win! ...Win! ...Win! ...Win! ...Win! ...Win! ...Win! ...Win! ...Win! ...Win!  
 mag and have about 30 of them! Rock on MANIA!

We want WINNERS! How do you win? You win! You win! You win! You win! You win! You win! You win! You win! You win! You win!

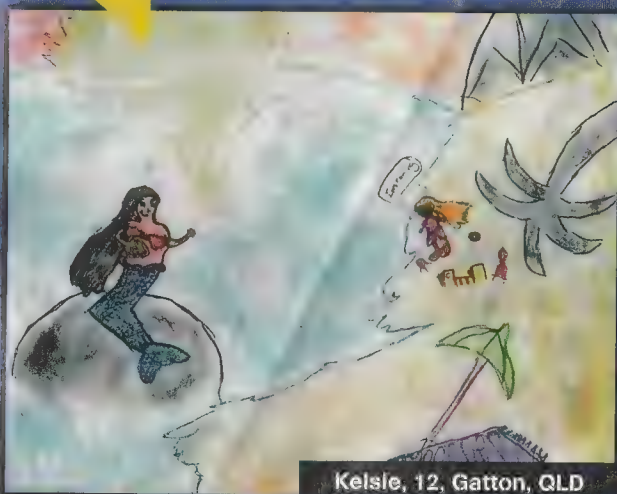
AMAZING! Peace out! MANIA



Jaden, 10, NSW

Wassup MANIA Dudes & Dudettes? Even though my pic is "girly", I think it is worth putting in! It took me a week to draw and colour! My best work! From your RADDEST FAN Kelsie.

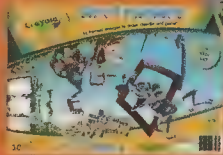
Howdy Kelsie! Beautiful pic! We're massively impressed with the time and effort you put into it! AWSM work YAK! Keep it up! The MANIACS



Kelsie, 12, Gatton, QLD



WIN!



Get your mag in the mag & score a salivate Crayola prize pack! Send in your letter with your best drawing, poem or painting, plus a photo of yourself in!

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SHOUT  
 OUT

TO OLE KIRK CHRISTIANSEN, INVENTOR OF LEGO!

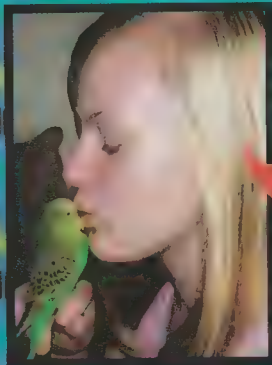


ROVER  
PETZ

# HANG WIF DA PETZ!



Luke, 9, with his best friend Tilly. Nth Lyneham, ACT



DEBORAH  
JENNICKA and  
Toby Tobby  
Western Harbour  
Darwin, NSW



It's Thomas with  
his dogs Sable and  
Morrisie! Bridgeman  
Downs, QLD



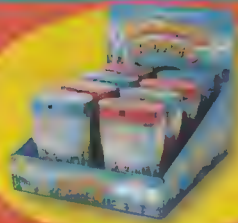
Thomas and Sable with their new kitten  
Bridgeman Downs, NSW

## RAD RATS!



Don't believe the stories about all rats being evil pests, domestic rats are actually intelligent and social creatures and make great pets! These little guys like mixing with others, so it's cool to house two or more together. Be careful of putting a male and a female together because they breed, and then you'll have a litter of baby rats! Sometimes

housing two male rats together can cause them to fight, but not always. These furry friends live in cages that need to be lined with shredded paper and have plenty of space for them to play. Rats like human food and you can feed them fresh fruit and vegies such as apples, pears, and greens. Food such as sunflower seeds, cereal, and bread should only be a treat. Remember that rats can get obese too so lay off the sugar and give them plenty of water!



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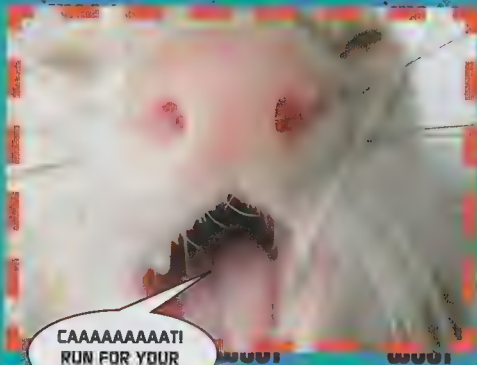



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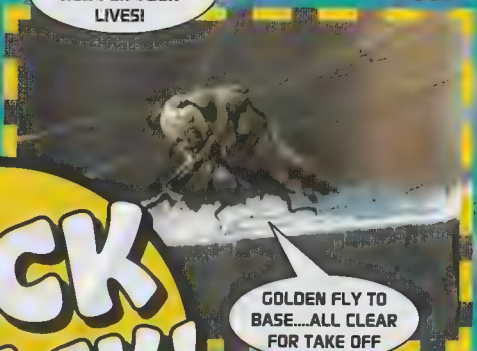
90 WIN! WIN! WIN! WIN! WIN! WIN!



I'M NOT EMO, I JUST  
DON'T CUT MY HAIR  
VERY OFTEN...



CAAAAAAAAAT!  
RUN FOR YOUR  
LIVES!



GOLDEN FLY TO  
BASE...ALL CLEAR  
FOR TAKE OFF

# WACK ATTACK!

FREAKY ANIMALS!



GEEZ, JUST ONE  
DAY I'D LIKE TO  
WEAR SPOTS...



THIS IS MY  
IMPRESSION OF A  
SAUSAGE ROLL....



WHO ARE YOU  
CALLING FOUR-  
EYES!! OH, WAIT...



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\$14.99 each, an Iron Man 2 wrist repulsor valued at \$29.99 each, and Iron Man 2 film cells valued at \$9.95. 2 winners will receive a copy of Iron Man 2: The Videogame on Xbox 360 worth \$99.95 each, an Iron Man 2 ARC Chest Light valued at \$12.99 each, an Iron Man 2 wrist repulsor valued at \$14.99 each, an Iron Man 2 wrist repulsor valued at \$29.99 each, and Iron Man 2 film cells valued at \$9.95. 2 winners will receive a copy of Iron Man 2: The Videogame on Wii worth \$79.95 each, an Iron Man 2 ARC Chest Light valued at \$12.99 each, an Iron Man 2 mask valued at \$14.99 each, an Iron Man 2 wrist repulsor valued at \$29.99 each, and Iron Man 2 film cells valued at \$9.95. 2 winners will receive a copy of Iron Man 2: The Videogame on Nintendo DS worth \$49.95 each, an Iron Man 2 ARC Chest Light valued at \$12.99 each, an Iron Man 2 mask valued at \$14.99 each, an Iron Man 2 wrist repulsor valued at \$29.99 each, and Iron Man 2 film cells valued at \$9.95. Wacom total value \$477. Three winners will each receive a Bamboo Pen and Touch valued at \$159. LEGO Star Wars prize is invaluable. 24 winners will each receive 11 Chrome Darth Vader Mini-figs.

## 107 WINNERS

### DJ Hero Winner

Jack Turner QLD

### Studio Ghibli Winners

Jack Johnson WA, David Candeloro SA, Jordan Weston VIC, Jacob Hughes WA

### Spongebob Truth or Squared Winners

John Ivanac NT, Morgan Taylor QLD, Amy Luu NSW

### Old School Gaming Winners

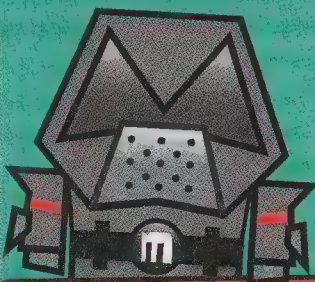
Luka and Isabella Rinaudo QLD, Ateisha Carter QLD, Jack Cappiello QLD, Max Kinsela NSW, Samuel Watchman TAS, Jade Schuck QLD, Carly Gilbert NSW, Aaron Biggin NSW, Jessica Diamond NSW, Mark Donato VIC

### G.I. Joe Winners

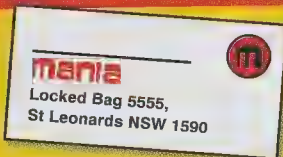
Liam Pavey VIC, Liam Hull WA, Ben Clarke NSW, Caleb Vearing QLD, Timothy Roffe NSW, Connor Stuart QLD,

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We love to get your letters and drawings, and yes, we do look at them *all*! Before you pop your stuff in an envelope make sure you do all the things on this list:

- 1) Include your name, address, email (if you have one), phone number and age.
- 2) Pop in a photograph of you. Please make sure it is a print photograph, not a scan or digital print out as they make your face look fuzzy if we print them in MANIA.
- 3) Write the name of the competition you're entering on the front of the envelope.

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# TRANSFORMERS

REVENGE OF THE FALLEN

MOVIE PREQUEL

# ALLIANCE



CONTINUED FROM LAST ISSUE



FALL!



HA! MIGHTY  
STARSCREAM.  
MEGATRON'S FINEST  
WARRIOR. LOOK AT  
YOU NOW!



YOUR SPARK  
SHALL BE MY GIFT  
TO HIM. YOUR LIFE  
WILL NO—









GOV-  
DOY-  
-KOO!

HUMANS WORKING WITH  
AUTOBOTS? HOW TYPICAL  
OF EITHER KIND.



NO MATTER, BOT  
SHALL BE DEALT  
WITH. BOTH SHALL—

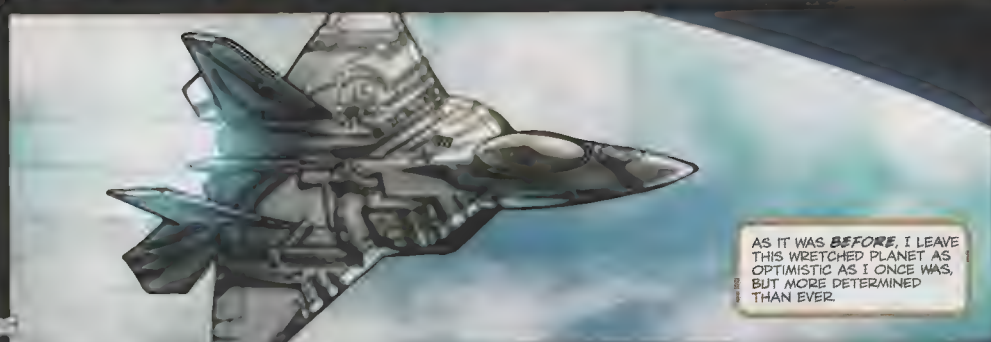


ABORT OPERATION  
AND RALLY AT MY  
SIGNAL.

IT CAN'T BE!



I THOUGHT HE WAS DEAD, BUT  
WITH THE ALLSPARK PLAN NOW  
LONG GONE, HE MAY HOLD THE  
KEY TO BUILDING MY ARMY.



AS IT WAS *BEFORE*, I LEAVE  
THIS WRETCHED PLANET AS  
OPTIMISTIC AS I ONCE WAS,  
BUT MORE DETERMINED  
THAN EVER.





"MEGATRON IS DEAD, BUT I DO NOT KNOW WHERE HIS BODY IS HIDDEN. IT ALSO SEEMS THAT THE AUTOBOTS ARE WORKING WITH THE HUMANS."

"DOES THIS POSE A PROBLEM?"



"I HAVE DESTROYED BOTH *BEFORE*. I CAN DO IT AGAIN."



"I HAVE SENT DOWN REINFORCEMENTS TO ASSIST US. THERE ARE OTHERS WHO REMAIN IN STASIS ON THE SHIP."

"THEN I SHALL GO RETRIEVE THEM. GIVE ME THE SHIP'S LOCATION AND WE WILL RETURN EN MASSE!"

"AS YOU COMMAND. UNTIL YOU RETURN, I HAVE ORDERS TO FOLLOW."



"WHATEVER YOU SAY, *SOUNDWAVE*."

TO BE CONTINUED.



# FAMOUS LAST WORDS!

## SHORTCHANGED!



If you've got a pal staying over, tuck their top sheet in near the top of the bed instead of at the bottom. Pop a blanket on top, then wait for your amigo's yelp of surprise when they can't stretch their legs out!

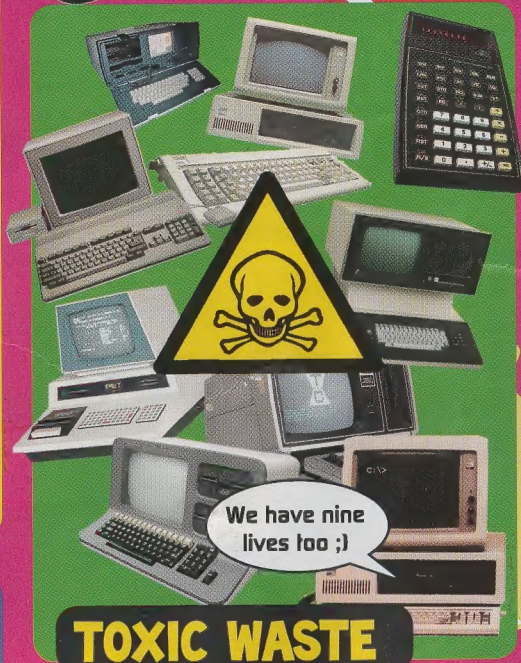


## HOPPING MAD!

Tommy the kangaroo kept escaping from his enclosure. The zoo manager knew Tommy could jump, so he built a higher fence to keep him in. Tommy kept escaping and the fence got higher and higher. An emu asked: "How high do you think they'll go?" Tommy said: "Depends how long it takes them to work out they've left the gate unlocked!"

## BAD CALL!

We were chatting after roll call while our teacher Mr T had his feet up, reading. Suddenly this new teacher barges in and yells at us to be quiet and open our maths books. Then she tells Mr T to get his feet off the seat. That's when I put up my hand and explained: "Um, Miss, this is roll call... and that's our teacher. I think you want next door." She went bright red! **Scott, 14, Ryde**



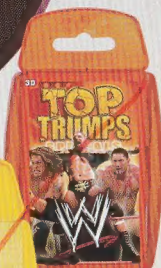
"E-waste" (that's electronic waste like old computers and mobiles) fills up our tips 3 times quicker than other rubbish! And they have heaps of nasty toxic chemicals (sorry YAKS, these won't turn you into superheroes!) Instead of chucking them, give them away or check whether the council or the shop recycles!



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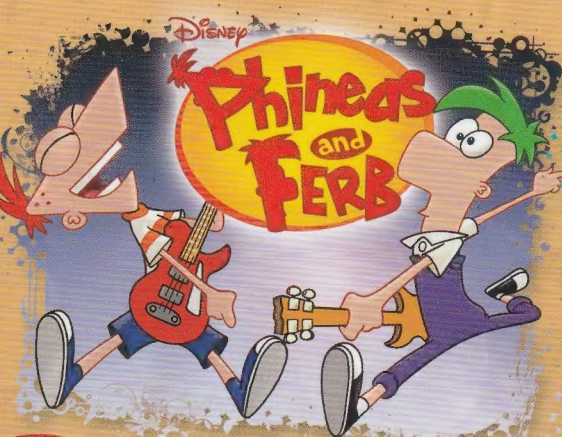




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